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[52] U.S. Cl	[57] ABSTRACT
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[58] Field of Search	An improved color reversal element is disclosed capa-
430/957, 505	ble of development in black and white developer, and of
430/937, 303	development in a color developer comprising:
[56] References Cited	a support having thereon at least two light-sensitive
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS	silver halide emulsion layers and a combination of
4.050.107 0.41001 T.1.1 1 1 400.4544	compounds (A) and (B)
4,258,127 3/1981 Ishibashi et al	Compound (A) capable of releasing a development
4,461,826 7/1984 Yamashita et al	modifier having the structural formula
4,480,028 10/1984 Kato et al	
4,618,571 10/1986 Ichijima et al	$M(Time)_n$ —INH(1)
4,675,274 6/1987 Ueda et al	
4,684,604 8/1987 Harder	
4,717,648 1/1988 Ueda et al	wherein
4,729,943 3/1988 Pfaff et al	M is a carrier, moiety from which —(Time)-
4,740,454 4/1988 Deguchi et al	$_n$ —INH(1) is released during black and white de-
4,791,049 12/1988 Kojima et al 430/544	velopment to provide a weak inhibitor;
4,798,784 1/1989 Kishimoto et al	Compound (B) having the structural formula
4,937,179 6/1990 Hirano et al	
4,962,018 10/1990 Szajewski et al 430/544	$CAR-(TIME)_n-INH(2)$
5,004,677 4/1991 Ueda 430/544	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

5,051,345 9/1991 Haraga et al. 430/544

0191948 8/1986 European Pat. Off. . 0270351 6/1988 European Pat. Off. . 0296784 12/1988 European Pat. Off. .

wherein:

CAR is a carrier moiety from which —(TIME)-n—INH(2) is released during color development to provide a strong inhibitor.

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IMAGE INFORMATION IN COLOR REVERSAL MATERIALS USING WEAK AND STRONG INHIBITORS

This invention relates to color reversal photography. In a particular aspect, it relates to improved images in color reversal photography. The invention employs a color reversal material, e.g. film, having a combination of image modifying compounds which release weak and 10 strong inhibitors to provide improvements in sharpness and color reproduction such as saturation or increased chroma in certain colors while providing less saturation or relative in other colors or similar colors.

Development inhibitor releasing (DIR) compounds 15 which are active during color development are not commonly employed in color reversal films. In fact, it is stated in T. H. James, ed., The Theory of the Photographic Process, 4th Ed., Macmillan Pub. Co., N.Y., p. 611, that DIR compounds do not have much effect in reversal 20 systems in view of the exhaustive development which occurs in the development step. Further, in a recent patent application, EPO 481427, (1991), it is noted that a DIR coupler has been known as an additive of a color negative film. A development inhibitor is released from 25 the coupler in the color development process of a color photographic material. Using the DIR coupler, the sharpness of the image is improved by an edge effect, which is caused by the difference in the density of the released development inhibitor. The DIR coupler is 30 effective in a color developing process of a color negative film or a color paper. However, the effect of the DIR coupler cannot be expected in other color photographic materials such as a color reversal film, a color reversal paper, and a black and white photographic 35 material, since the main process in the image formation of these photographic materials is a black and white development.

Because of the problems of using DIR compounds in color reversal material, it is usually indicated, for exam-40 ple, that they should be used with color development that is less exhaustive than what is commonly used today. For example, it has been suggested that the color development time be reduced, or that silver halide solvent not be used or be employed in reduced amount. All 45 reversal films today are compatible in that they can be developed in common commercial processing. Any film which is designed for non-exhaustive development would require identification special processing which would make it commercially undesirable. When used in 50 color reversal materials, DIR compounds have been utilized in a layer that contains a silver halide emulsion that does not contribute to image formation.

All these suggestions have serious drawbacks. For example, any methodology that uses less exhaustive 55 color development lessens the effects that make exhaustive development an advantage, and a standard technique in the color reversal photographic arts.

Furthermore, a photographic element that employs an extra silver halide emulsion layer has serious disad-60 vantages. For example, silver halide use is increased, adding to the cost of production of the element and to the cost of processing the element. Moreover, the use of an additional layer not only adds to film thickness, but has the disadvantage of increasing light scattering dur-65 ing exposure. Light scattering decreases film sharpness. Thus, an increase in film thickness is not desired in color reversal film technology.

To overcome the problems attendant the use of DIR compounds in color reversal materials, it has been discovered that interimage advantages, for example, in a color reversal material can be enabled by DIR compounds that release very strong inhibitors or that release fragments that release very strong inhibitors. The strong inhibitors permit the use of conventional development processes for color reversal material. Strong inhibitors are those that show greater restraint in silver development, for example, when compared to phenylmercaptotetrazole when tested as described herein or that have a diffusivity value lower than that given by phenylmercaptotetrazole.

Strong inhibitors in accordance with the invention have the additional advantage of increasing sharpness without modification of the conventional developing processes.

For purposes of this invention, conventional development processes include the E-6 process as described in Manual For Processing KODAK Ektachrome Films Using E-7, (1980) Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, N.Y., or a substantially equivalent process made available by a company other than Eastman Kodak Company, are referred to as "current" color reversal processes or "standard" processes. Current reversal processes employ as a color developer, 4-(N-ethyl-N-2-methylsulfonylaminoethylino)-2-methylphenylenediamine sesquisulfate, 1-hydrate in a concentration of from about 7 to about 11 grams per 1000 ml of water, and as a silver halide solvent, 2,2-ethylenedithioethanol (also known as Dithiacotanediol) in a concentration of about 0.6 to about 1.2 grams per 1000 ml of water. The pH of the color developing agent is from about 11.6 to about 12.1. The color developing agent is used in the process for about from 5.5 to 7.0 minutes at a temperature of from 36.6 to 39.4 C.

It has long been the practise to enhance image structure (sharpness and interimage) of a reversal film during black and white development in the reversal process using iodide gradients as in U.S. Pat. No. 4,082,553 and thiol/thione compounds which accentuate the iodide gradients as in U.S. Pat. No. 3,536,486, EP 0191948 and U.S. Pat. No. 4,788,132. Materials of this type have been commercialized.

The need for improvements in image structure led to combinations such as U.S. Pat. No. 4,722,546 which discloses use of thiol/thione compounds with a non-light sensitive emulsion in an overcoat. U.S. Pat. No. 4,740,454 discloses the combination of T-Grain emulsions with thiol/thione compounds to obtain greater sharpness especially low frequency MTF. U.S. Pat. No. 5,041,367 discloses the combination of thiol/thione compounds and lanathane to enhance sharpness without substantial loss of photographic speed. However, these materials are limited to improving image structure in the black and white development step of a color reversal process which severely limits the ability to further improve the properties of the photographic element.

It also has been the practise for color negative films to incorporate DIR couplers to improve sharpness, color reproduction and granularity. Some of these disclosures (such as EP0191948 and U.S. Pat. No. 4,791,049) suggest that DIR couplers can be used in reversal products with thiol/thione compounds.

DIR couplers were invented for use in color negative products and optimized to give image-wise inhibition of silver development for the color negative process. DIR couplers have not been useful in a standard reversal

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process because reversal color developer has a higher pH and longer time of development. Most inhibitor compounds (especially those that are highly diffusive and preferred by the color negative films) do not restrain the development of silver at the higher pH and 5 the longer times of development encountered in a color reversal process. Furthermore, the more highly diffusive inhibitor compounds can partition out of the film before development is complete thus weakening their

Research Disclosure 15854, vol. 158, June 1977, pp. 35-38, "Method for Forming Reversal Color Images" Anon. describes the use of DIR couplers in incorporated coupler reversal systems, and lists mercaptotetrazole and benzotriazole releasing DIR compounds.

effect.

Pffaf et al., U.S. Pat. No. 4,729,943, describe the use of DIR couplers in a reversal system where the DIR coupler is contained in a silver halide emulsion layer. However, this layer is separate from the silver halide imaging layer producing the primary dye image. The 20 DIR couplers described release mercaptotetrazole inhibitor fragments and requires a color development time of 1 to 2 minutes.

Japanese Published Application No. 2,251,950 discloses silver halide based, color photographic material 25 containing at least one compound which has a carboxyester-substituted mercaptooxadiazole fragment. Color reversal materials are referred to having color development times of 2 to 5 minutes.

European Application No. 296,784 discloses reversal 30 film in which a DIR compound is incorporated in a layer with a silver halide emulsion that does not substantially contribute to image formation. The DIR compound releases an inhibiting moiety with a diffusivity value of 0.34 or greater, preferably with a value of 0.4 35 or greater.

European Application No. 296,785 discloses reversal film which comprises a support and photographic component layers including at least two silver halide emulsion layers having different spectral sensitivity from 40 each other. However, this Application is concerned with silver halide emulsion layers which contain a pyrazoloazole type magenta coupler.

European Application No. 336,411 discloses use of DIRs; however development times are reduced to 2 to 45 5 minutes in a color reversal process.

U.S. Pat. No. 4,618,571 discloses the use of certain DIR couplers in color reversal photographic material. In these references, the DIR compounds or couplers release inhibitors which do not work satisfactorily in 50 conventional color reversal developing processes.

Thus, it will be seen that the art either teaches away from the use of DIR compounds in reversal materials because of the problems noted or modifies standard procedures to accommodate their use with undesirable 55 affects.

Thus it will be seen that a great need has existed in color reversal photographic silver halide elements to provide enhanced interimage effects and acutance or sharpness advantages by the use of image modifying 60 chemistry which work with conventional color reversal development processes.

The present invention fulfills this need and overcomes the problems relating to the use of DIR compounds or couplers in color reversal material by provid- 65 ing an improved color reversal element having a combination of compounds which release weak and strong inhibitors, the element capable of development in a color reversal process comprising black and white developer and color developer, the reversal material com-

prising:

a support having thereon at least two light-sensitive silver halide emulsion layers and a combination of compounds (A) and (B)

Compound (A) capable of releasing a development modifier having the structural formula

 $M(Time)_n$ —INH(1)

wherein

M is a carrier moiety from which —(Time)_n—INH(1) is released during black and white development;

Time is a timing group;

INH(1) is comprised of oxazole, oxadiazole, thiazole, diazole, oxathiazole, triazole, thiatriazole, benzotriazole, tetrazole, benzimidazole, indazole, isoindazole, mercaptotriazole, mercaptothiadiazole, mercaptotetrazole, selenotetrazole, mercaptothiazole, selenobenzothiazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzimidazole, mercaptobenzothiazole, selenobenzimidazole, benzodiazole, mercaptooxazole, adiazole, or benzisodiazole,

INH(1) of Compound (A) having an inhibitor strength less than 1 and preferably less than 0.7 and typically less than 0.5;

n is 0, 1 or 2; and

Compound (B) having the structural formula

CAR — $(TIME)_n$ —INH(2)

wherein:

CAR is a carrier moiety from which —(TIME)-n—INH(2) is released during color development;

TIME is a timing group;

INH(2) is comprised of a development inhibitor moiety selected from the group consisting of oxazole, oxadiazole, thiazole, thiazole, diazole, oxathiazole, triazole, thiatriazole, benzotriazole, tetrazole, benzimidazole, indazole, isoindazole, mercaptotriazole, mercaptotriazole, mercaptothiadiazole, mercaptotetrazole, selenotetrazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, selenobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzimidazole, selenobenzimidazole, benzodiazole, mercaptooxadiazole, or benzisodiazole,

INH (2) of Compound (B) having an inhibitor strength greater than 1, and

n is 0, 1 or 2.

The present invention enables the use of image modifiers during both development steps, e.g. weak inhibitor for black and white development and a strong inhibitor for color development, of color reversal materials to obtain improved sharpness and color reproduction.

Thus, this invention provides for the use of weak inhibitors or weak inhibitor fragments for use during black and white development. It is believed that the weak inhibitors or inhibitor fragments released during black and white development enhance the iodide effect produced during development of the silver halide emulsions.

Further, this invention provides for the use of strong inhibitors or inhibitors fragments for use during color development. Although not bound by any theory, it is believed that the strong inhibitors or inhibitor fragments released during the color reversal process is a color development inhibitor, which is sufficiently strong to allow image modification that results in in-

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creased sharpness to take place and improved color reproduction, e.g. increasing saturation or relative chroma in one color without substantially increasing color saturation or relative chroma in a similar color. That is, the inhibitors have to be selected carefully to 5 obtain the improved image modification.

Thus, the very strong inhibitor fragments released by compounds employed in this invention enable the use of the E-6 type development process with DIR compounds or couplers of the invention with desirable 10 image modifying advantages.

The inhibitor number, IN, of the INH compound is defined as:

$$IN = \frac{D_{max} \text{ (solution } A) - D_{max} \text{ (solution } B)}{D_{max} \text{ (solution } A)} \times 100$$

wherein IN is greater than 35 and is preferably greater than 50 with a typical IN being about 60.

The inhibitor strength, IS, (also referenced herein as 20 Inhibitor Potency) of the INH compound is defined as:

$$IS = \frac{IN_{(test)}}{IN_{(control)}}$$

where $IN_{(test)}$ is the inhibitor number determined by the method described above for any INH compound of interest, and IN_(control) is the inhibitor number determined for the test coating when 1-phenyl-5-mercapto-1,2,3,4-tetrazole is the INH compound incorporated into the color developer. In the present invention IS equal to or greater than 1 (one) and is preferably greater than 1.2 with a typical IS being about 1.6.

It has been found that a combination of compounds having the structural formulae

$$M(TIME)_n$$
— $INH(1)$

and

$$CAR$$
— $(TIME)_n$ — $INH(2)$

wherein INH(1) comprises a compound that has a inhibitor strength less than 1 and INH(2) has an inhibitor 45 strength greater than 1, the combination providing particularly desirable results when incorporated into color reversal photographic elements.

For the purposes of this invention, acutance and sharpness are used interchangeably. Moreover, for the 50 purposes of this invention, acutance is used as a measure of sharpness in an image. The term acutance is defined and described on pages 602-604 of T. H. James, The Theory of the Photographic Process, Fourth Edition, Macmillan Publishing Co., Inc., New York, N.Y. (1977).

For the purpose of this invention, color reversal materials are of the type suited for development in a color reversal process.

In reversal processes yielding color positives such as the Kodachrome, Ektachrome, and Agfacolor pro- 60 cesses, and so on, the latent image is developed first in a black-and-white (non-chromogenic) developer, thus using up the exposed silver halide without dye formation. Then, the residual silver halide is rendered developable either by exposure or by chemically fogging. A 65 second or subsequent development step with a chromogenic developer results in a coupling reaction between a coupler compound and oxidized chromogenic devel-

oper. This leads in the blue-sensitive layer, to formation of a yellow dye, in the green-sensitive layer to formation of a magenta dye, and in the red-sensitive layer to formation of a cyan dye. All of the developed silver is then removed. Magenta plus cyan appears blue, yellow

plus cyan appears green, and yellow plus magenta appears red, the result thus reproducing the color patches of the test object.

If the test object is white, all the silver halide in the film will be used up by the black-and-white (first) developer, and no dyes will be formed during the second or subsequent (color) development. Conversely, if the test object is black, all silver halide will be available for color development and the superposition of yellow, magenta, and cyan will cause complete opacity, that is, the result will appear black.

Color reversal films have higher contrasts and shorter exposure latitudes than color negative film. Moreover, such reversal films do not have masking couplers, and this further differentiates reversal from negative working films. Furthermore, reversal films have a gamma generally between 1.5 and 2.0, and this is much higher than for negative materials.

Color reversal material, e.g. film, can be developed in the well known, widely employed E-6 color reversal development process described in the Eastman Kodak Company manual cited above, or a substantially equivalent process.

The present invention provides a color photographic reversal element that simultaneously reproduces a yellow-red color, such as a skin tone, and a saturated or high chroma red color.

In accordance with the invention, there is provided a color reversal photographic element comprising a support bearing a red-sensitive, cyan dye-forming unit, a green-sensitive, magenta dye-forming unit, and a bluesensitive, yellow dye-forming unit, each unit comprising at least one photosensitive silver halide layer and an image dye-forming compound; said element containing an interimage effect-controlling means; said interimage effect-controlling means being characterized as having the capability of simultaneously forming a red image of high saturation or relative chroma and a yellow-red tint image of substantially lower red saturation or relative chroma when said element is exposed to a red color standard object and a yellow-red tint color standard object and thereafter developed; said red color standard object having CIELab values $a^*=30.46$, $b^*=19.16$, $C^*=35.98$, $L^*=40.12$; said reddish tint color standard object having CIELab values $a^*=17.26$, $b^*=18.01$, $C^*=24.95$, $L^*=66.98$; the resulting said images having a red reproduction coefficient equal to or greater than 0.88 and a ratio of red reproduction coefficient to reddish tint reproduction coefficient equal to or greater than 1.15.

The color reversal photographic element of the present invention simultaneously provides the reproduction of a saturated or high chroma color with high relative chroma and a reddish tint color, such as a skin tone, in a pleasing manner.

The methods described in the prior art for the improvement of color reproduction in color reversal photographic materials by the operation of interlayer interimage effects are incapable of simultaneously producing colors of high saturation or relative chroma and similar colors of low saturation or relative chroma because the resulting increases in the chroma of the repro-

duction of the saturated colors are typically accompanied by similar or even larger increases in the chroma of the colors of low saturation or relative chronic. Thus, for example, improving the saturation or increasing the chroma of reproduced red objects is achieved with an 5 attendant unpleasing increase in chroma of light skin tones.

To overcome this undesirable result, it is necessary to provide non-linear interimage effects that are enhanced in the upper positive sensitometric scale relative to the 10 lower portion of the scale. In accordance with the present invention, this is achieved either by increasing chroma in the high density region and/or decreasing chroma in the low density region. The interimage effect-controlling means can operate in the nonochromo- 15 genic development step of the process, or in the chromogenic development step, or in both.

In accordance with the present invention, a combination of compounds A and B can be employed in the color reversal photographic element of the invention, 20 preferably in the cyan dye-forming unit, and more preferably in a fast red-sensitive silver halide layer in said cyan dye-forming unit. Useful DIR compounds can be described by the formula CAR—(TIME)_n—INH(2), wherein INH(2) is a development inhibitor, TIME is a 25 timing group, n is 0, 1, or 2, and CAR is a carrier which releases the development inhibitor INH (n is 0) or the development inhibitor precursors INH-TIME1 or INH-TIME₂ (n is 1 or 2, respectively) upon reaction with oxidized color developer. Subsequent reaction of INH- 30 TIME₁ or INH-TIME₂ produces the development inhibitor INH. Preferred development inhibitors, which include mercaptatetrazoles, selenotetrazoles, mercaptobenzothiazoles, selenobenzitheazoles, mercaptobenzoxazoles, selenobenzoxazoles, mercaptobenzimidazoles, 35 mercaptobenzothiazole, selenobenzimidazoles, mercaptooxadiazoles, benzotriazoles, and mercaptobenzodiazoles, are disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 5,151,343, incorporated herein by reference. Mercaptotetrazole and mercaptooxadiazole inhibitors are especially pre- 40 ferred.

Timing groups, TIME, when present, are groups such as esters, carbamates, and the like that undergo base-catalyzed cleavage, including anchimerically assisted hydrolysis or intramolecular nucleophilic displacement. Suitable linking groups, which are also known as timing groups, are shown in tile previously mentioned U.S. Pat. No. 5,151,343 and in U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,857,447, 5,021,322, 5,026,628, and the previously mentioned 5,051,345, all incorporated herein by reference. 50 Preferred timing groups are p-hydroxymethylene moieties, as illustrated in the previously mentioned U.S. Pat. No. 5,151,343 and in Coupler DIR-1 of the instant application, and orthohydroxyphenyl substituted carbamate groups.

Carrier groups, CAR, includes couplers which react with oxidized color developer to form dyes while simultaneously releasing development inhibitors or inhibitor precursors. Other suitable carrier groups include hydroquinones, catechols, aminophenols, aminonaphthols, 60 sulfonamidophenols, pyrogallols, sulfonamidonaphthols, and hydrazides that undergo cross-oxidation by oxidized color developers. DIR compounds with carriers of these types are disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 4,791,049, incorporated herein by reference. Preferred 65 carrier groups are couplers that yield unballasted dyes which are removed from the photographic element during processing, such as those disclosed in the previ-

ously mentioned U.S. Pat. No. 5,151,343. Further, preferred carrier groups are couplers that yield ballasted dyes which match spectral absorption characteristics of the image dye and couplers that form colorless products.

M is selected from hydrogen, alkali metal, ammonium, a group capable of splitting off with base or sulfite, and a group capable of splitting off after reaction with oxidized developer.

Compound A with groups capable of splitting off INH(1) after reaction with oxidized developer may be selected from:

wherein:

R_a is individually selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl or aryl containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms;

R_d is selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl or aryl containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms;

n is 0, 1 or 2;

X is selected from nitrogen, sulfur, oxygen and carboxy;

 R_c is selected from $-C(=0)R_a$ and SO_2R_a . Groups capable of splitting off with base are selected from:

$$NC-CH_2-CH_2-RSO_2-CH_2-CH_2-$$

Groups capable of splitting off with sulfite are selected from:

$$R-N$$

$$R-S-R$$

$$0$$

$$0$$

$$0$$

$$0$$

R is selected from a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl 10 group, hydrogen, halogen, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring, alkoxy group, aryloxy group, alkoxycarbonyl group, arlyoxycarbonyl group, sulfamoyl group, sulfonamido group, sulfoxyl group carbamoyl group, alkylsulfo group, arylsulfo group, hydroxy group, aryloxycarbonylamino group, alkoxycarbonylamino group, amino group, acylamino group, ureido group, arylthio group, alkylthio group, cyano group.

INH(1) of Compound A has a structure selected from 20

$$(R_b)_n(X)_m$$
 N
 $R_a(X)_m$
 N
 N
 N
 M
 $(X)_mR_b$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
N-N \\
R_b(X)_m & & \\
N & \\
N & \\
N-N \\
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R_a \\
N+\\
N+\\
N-N
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
N+\\
N-N
\end{array}$$

wherein m is 0 or 1;

 R_a and R_b are individually selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl or aryl containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms;

X is selected from nitrogen, sulfur, oxygen and carboxy;

Y is selected from nitrogen, sulfur, and oxygen m is 0 or 1; and

M is selected from hydrogen, alkali metal, ammonium, a group capable of splitting off with base or sul-

fite, and a group capable of splitting off after reaction with oxidized developer.

M(TIME)—INH(1) or Compound A is selected from:

$$S \longrightarrow SCH_3$$
 $N-N$

HS
$$\sim$$
 S(CH₂)₃OCH₃

HS
$$\sim$$
 S(CH₂)₂CONH₂
N-N

HS
$$\sim$$
 NH(CH₂)₃N(CH₃)₂
N-N

$$C_4H_9NHC(O)S$$
 \longrightarrow \longrightarrow SCH_3 $N-N$

HS
$$\sim$$
 NHC(O)NH \sim N(CH₃)₂

In one embodiment of the invention, a three-color reversal element has the following schematic structure:

- (13) Second protective layer containing matte
- (12) First protective layer containing UV-absorbing dyes
- (11) Fast blue-sensitive layer containing blue-sensitive emulsion and yellow coupler
- (10) Slow blue-sensitive layer containing blue-sensitive emulsion and yellow coupler
- (9) Yellow filter layer
- (8) Intermediate layer
- (7) Fast green-sensitive layer containing green-sensitive emulsion and magenta coupler
- (6) Slow green-sensitive layer containing green-sensitive emulsion and magenta coupler
- (5) Intermediate layer
- (4) Fast red-sensitive layer containing red-sensitive emulsion and cyan coupler
- (3) Slow red-sensitive layer containing red-sensitive emulsion and cyan coupler
- (2) Intermediate layer
- (1) Antihalation layer Support with subbing layer

I-17 55 In the following discussion of suitable materials for use in the emulsions and elements of this invention, reference will be made to Research Disclosure, December, 1989, Item 308119, published by Kenneth Mason 60 Publications, Ltd., Dudley Annex, 12a North Street, Emsworth, Hampshire, P010 7DQ, UK, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference. This publication will be identified hereafter by the term "Research Disclosure".

Couplers which form cyan dyes upon reaction with oxidized color-developing agents are described in such representative patents and publications as U.S. Pat. Nos. 2,772,162; 2,895,826; 3,002,836; 3,034,892; 2,747,293;

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2,423,730; 2,367,531; 3,041,236; and 4,333,999; and Research Disclosure, Section VII D. Preferably, such couplers are phenols and naphthols.

Couplers which form magenta dyes upon reaction with oxidized color developing agents are described in 5 such representative patents and publications as: U.S. Pat. Nos. 2,600,788; 2,369,489; 2,343,703; 2,311,082; 3,152,896; 3,519,429; 3,062,653; and 2,908,573; and Research Disclosure, Section VII D. Preferably, such couplers are pyrazolones and pyrazolotriazoles.

Couplers which form yellow dyes upon reaction with oxidized and color developing agents are described in such representative patents and publications as: U.S. Pat. Nos. 2,875,057; 2,407,210; 3,265,506; 2,298,443; 3,048,194; and 3,447,928; and Research Disclosures, Section VII D. Preferably, such couplers are acylacetamides such as benzoylacetanilides and pivaloylacetanilides.

Couplers which form colorless products upon reaction with oxidized color developing agents are de-20 scribed in such representative patents as: UK Patent No. 861,138; U.S. Pat. Nos. 3,632,345; 3,928,041; 3,958,993; and 3,961,959. Preferably, such couplers are cyclic carbonyl-containing compounds which react with oxidized color developing agents but do not form dyes.

The image dye-forming couplers can be incorporated in photographic elements and/or in photographic processing solutions, such as developer solutions, so that upon development of an exposed photographic element they will be in reactive association with oxidized color-30 developing agent. Coupler compounds incorporated in photographic processing solutions should be of such molecular size and configuration that they will diffuse through photographic layers with the processing solution. When incorporated in a photographic element, as 35 a general rule, the image dye-forming couplers should be nondiffusible; that is, they should be of such molecular size and configuration that they will not significantly or wander from the layer in which they are coated.

Photographic elements of this invention can be pro- 40 cessed by conventional techniques in which color-forming couplers and color-developing agents are incorporated in separate processing solutions or compositions or in the element, as described in *Research Disclosure*, Section XIX.

Photographic elements of this invention in which the couplers are incore, orated are multilayer, multicolor elements. The couplers can be incorporated in the silver halide emulsion layers and/or in adjacent layers, where they can come into reactive association with oxidized 50 color-developing agent that has developed silver halide in the emulsion layer. The silver halide emulsion layer can contain or have associated with it other photographic coupler compounds such as additional dyeforming couplers and/or competing couplers. These 55 are other photographic couplers can form dyes of the same or different color or hue as the image dye-forming photographic couplers. Additionally, the silver halide emulsion layers and other layers of the photographic element can contain addenda conventionally contained 60 in such layers.

A typical multilayer, multicolor photographic element can comprise a support having thereon a red-sensitive silver halide emulsion unit having associated therewith a cyan image dye-forming compound, a green-sen-65 sitive silver halide emulsion unit having associated therewith a magenta image dye-forming compound, and a blue sensitive silver halide emulsion unit having

associated therewith a yellow image dye forming compound. Each silver halide emulsion unit can be composed of one or more layers, and the various units and layers can be arranged in different locations with respect to one another. The couplers as described can be incorporated in or associated with one or more layers or units of the photographic element.

The light-sensitive silver halide emulsions can include coarse-, regular- or fine-grain silver halide crystals or mixtures thereof and can be comprised of such silver halides as silver chloride, silver bromide, silver bromoiodide, silver chlorobromide, silver chloroiodide, silver chlorobromoidide and mixtures thereof. The emulsions can be negative-working or direct-positive emulsions. They can form latent images predominantly on the surface of the silver halide grains or predominantly on the interior of the silver halide grains. They can be chemically and spectrally sensitized. The emulsions typically will be gelatin emulsions, although other hydrophilic colloids are useful. Tabular-grain light-sensitive silver halides are particularly useful, such as described in U.S. Pat. No. 4,434,226.

The silver halide emulsions employed in the elements of this invention can be either negative-working or positive-working. Suitable emulsions and their preparations are described in *Research Disclosure*, Sections I and II, and the publications cited therein. Suitable vehicles for the emulsion layers and other layers of elements of this invention are described in *Research Disclosure*, Section IX, and the publications cited therein.

The photographic elements of this invention or individual layers thereof can contain brighteners (see Research Disclosure, Section V), antifoggants and stabilizers (see Research Disclosure, Section VI), antistain agents and image-dye stabilizers (see Research Disclosure, Section VII, I and J), light-absorbing and -scattering materials (see Research Disclosure, Section VIII), hardeners (see Research Disclosure, Section X), coating aids (see Research Disclosure, Section XI), plasticizers and lubricants (see Research Disclosure, Section XII), matting agents (see Research Disclosure, Section XVI) and development modifiers (see Research Disclosure, Section XXI).

The photographic elements can be coated on a vari-45 ety of supports as described in *Research Disclosure*, Section XVII, and the references described therein.

Photographic elements can be exposed to actinic radiation, typically in the visible region of the spectrum, to form a latent image as described in *Research Disclosure*, Section XVIII, and then processed to form a visible dye image as described in *Research Disclosure*, Section XIX.

Preferred color-developing agents useful in the invention are p- phenylenediamines. Especially preferred are 4-amino-N,N-diethylaniline hydrochloride, 4-amino-3-methyl-N,N-diethylaniline hydrochloride, 4-amino-3-methyl-N-ethyl-N- β -(methanesulfonamido)ethylaniline sulfate hydrate, 4-amino-3-methyl-N-ethyl-N- β -hydroxyethylaniline sulfate, 4-amino-3- β -(methanesulfonamido)ethyl-N,N-diethylaniline hydrochloride, and 4-amino-N-ethyl-N-(2-methoxyethyl)-m-toluidine di-p-toluenesulfonic acid.

As previously described, processing of color reversal materials containing negative emulsions typically entails development with a nonchromogenic developing agent to develop exposed silver halide but not form dye, then uniform fogging of the element to render unexposed silver halide developable, and then development

with a color-developing agent. Alternatively, a directpositive emulsion can be employed to obtain a positive image.

Development is typically followed by the conventional steps of bleaching, fixing or bleach-fixing to remove silver and silver halide, washing and drying.

For forming a reversal image, typically development is followed in sequence by a reversal color development, a conditioning bath treatment, a bleach-fix treat- 10 ment, and then washing and drying. Such a reversal process is, for example, the previously mentioned Kodak E-6 process. For purposes of this invention, the Kodak E-6 process as described in MANUAL FOR 15 PROCESSING KODAK EKTACHROME FILMS USING E-7, (1980) Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, N.Y., or substantially equivalent processes made available by a company other than Eastman Kodak Company, are referred to as "current" color reversal 20 processes or "standard" processes. Current reversal processes employ as a color developer, 4-(N-ethyl-N-2methanesulfonamidoethyl)-2-methylphenylenediamine sesquisulfate monohydrate in a concentration of from 25 about 7 to about 11 grams per 1000 ml of water, and as a silver halide solvent, 2,2-ethylenedithioethanol (also known as dithiaoctanediol) in a concentration of from about 0.6 to about 1.2 g/1000 ml of water. The pH of the color developing agent is from about 11.6 to about ³⁰ 12.1. The color developing agent is used in the process for from 5.5 to 7.0 minutes at a temperature of 36.7° to 39.4° C.

The combination of Compounds A and B of the in- 35 vention are highly desirable because it enhances sharpness and generates more interimage at higher densities than lower densities. That is, the combination of Compounds A and B of the invention have the effect of reproducing certain colors of high relative chroma, e.g. reds, while enabling reproduction of related colors, e.g. flesh colors, with less increase in saturation or relative chroma when used in a color image forming layer or in a non-color image forming layer. 45

Preferred INH(2) groups of the invention can be selected from the group having the following structures:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
S & N \\
N & N \\
N & N
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
S & N \\
N & N
\end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{c|c}
S & S \\
N & N
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
S & S \\
N & N
\end{array}$$

-continue
$$R$$
 -continue R -

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$$-s \longrightarrow 0 \longrightarrow R$$

$$N-N$$

wherein R is an alkyl group, hydrogen, halogen (including fluorine, chlorine, bromine and iodine), an aryl 15 group, or a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring, alkoxy group, aryloxy group, alkoxycarbonyl group, aryloxyearbonyl group, amino group, sulfamoyl group, sulfonamido group, sulfoxyl group carbamoyl group, al- 20 kylsulfo group, arylsulfo group, hydroxy group, aryloxycarbonylamino group, alkoxycarbonylamino group, acylamino group, ureido group, arylthio group, alkylthio group, cyano group. When R is an alkyl group, the alkyl group may be substituted or unsubstituted or ²⁵ straight or branched chain or cyclic. The total number of carbons in R is 0 to 25. The alkyl group may in turn be substituted by the same groups listed for R. when the R group is an aryl group, the aryl group may be substi- 30 tuted by the same groups listed for R. Examples are a pyridyl group, a quinolyl group, a furyl group, a benzothiazolyl group, an oxazolyl group, an imidazolyl group, a thiazolyl group, a triazolyl group, a benzotriazolyl group, an imido group and an oxazine group. When R is a heterocyclic group, the heterocyclic group is a 5- or 6-membered monocyclic or condensed ring containing as a heteroatom a nitrogen atom, oxygen atom, or a sulfur atom; and

s is 1 to 4.

Further preferred INH groups are selected from the following the structures:

> 45 INH-1 OCH₃ 50

INH-3
$$\begin{array}{c}
N \\
N \\
N \\
N \\
N
\end{array}$$
INH-3

INH-4

S

$$C(CH_3)(C_2H_5)_2$$
 $N = N$

$$N \downarrow N$$

$$N \downarrow N$$

$$NH_2 \downarrow O$$

$$NH_2$$

$$-s$$
 $N-N$

INH-8

INH-8

$$-S \underbrace{\hspace{1cm} O \hspace{1cm} C_4H_9-t}_{N-N}$$
 INH-9

$$-s \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{CH_2} \xrightarrow{CH_2}$$

$$N-N$$

$$-S \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow CH_2 \longrightarrow OCH_3$$

$$N-N$$
INH 13

INH-14

INH-15

INH-16

INH-17

INH-18

INH-19

INH-21

INH-22

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$$N$$
 N
 $CH_2SC_6H_{13-10}$
 N

$$N$$
 N
 SC_2H_5
 SC_2H_5

$$S \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow (CH_2)_4SCH_2CH_3$$
 $N-N$

Preferably CAR is a coupler moiety and further the coupler moiety may be ballasted.

In the element in accordance with the invention the $-(TIME)_n$ —INH group is bonded to a coupling position of the coupler moiety.

Preferably CAR is unballasted and at least one TIME moiety attached to CAR is ballasted and CAR is preferably a coupler moiety.

Further, preferably CAR is a moiety which can ⁶⁰ cross-oxidize with oxidized color developer, and may be selected from the class consisting of hydrazides and hydroquinones.

The compound B may be present in the element from 0.002 to 0.35 g/m² and typically is present in the element from ment from about 0.005 to 0.15 g/m².

CAR can, for example, be a coupler residue, designated COUP, which forms a dye as a part of a coupling

reaction, or an organic residue which forms no dye. The purpose of CAR is to furnish, as a function of color development, a fragment INH, or INH linked to a linking group or timing group or to a combination of linking and timing groups, designated — $(TIME)_n$ —. So long as it performs that function in an efficient manner, it has accomplished its purpose for this invention.

When COUP is a yellow coupler residue, coupler residues having general formulas II-IV are preferred. When COUP is a magenta coupler residue, it is preferred that COUP have formula (V) or (VIII). When COUP is a cyan coupler residue, it is preferred that COUP have the formula represented by general formulas (VI) and (VII).

Furthermore, CAR may be a redox residue, which is a group capable of being cross oxidized with an oxidation product of a developing agent. Such carriers may be hydroquinones, catechols, pyrogallols, aminonaphthols, aminophenols, naphthohydroquinones, sulfonamidophenols, hydrazides, and the like. Compounds with carriers of these types are disclosed in U.S. Pat. 25 No. 4,791,049. Preferred CAR fragments of this type are represented by general formulas (X) and (XI). The amino groups included therein are preferably substituted with R₁₀ which is a sulfonyl group having one to 25 carbon atoms, or an acyl group having 1-25 carbon atoms; the alkyl moieties in these groups can be substituted. Compounds within formulas (IX) and (XII) are compounds that react with oxidized developer to form a colorless product or a dye which decolorizes by further reaction.

So long as the color reversal film has an image modifying compound of the type described herein, in one image forming layer, the film is as described for this invention. It is to be understood, however, that the film may have two or more described image modifying compounds in an image forming silver halide emulsion layer, or that two or more such layers may have one or more described image modifying compounds.

In general compound (I) is represented by, for example, the following structures:

$$R_1$$
 C
 R_1
 R_1

$$R_1 \xrightarrow{O} R_1$$

$$R_1 \xrightarrow{O} \underset{X}{|O|} NHR_2$$

$$R_3NH$$
 O
 O
 IV
 NHR_3

VI

VII

VIII

IX

XI

XII

-continued

$$N-N$$

$$(R_6)_p$$
 $(R_6)_p$
 $(R_6)_p$
 $(R_6)_p$

$$\begin{array}{c}
O \\
N \\
N \\
R_4
\end{array}$$

$$(R_6)_p$$

In the foregoing compounds, $X=-(TIME)_n$ —INH, and R1 represents an aliphalic group, an aromatic group, an alkoxy group, or a heterocyclic ring, and R2 and R3 are each an aromatic group, an aliphatic group or a heterocyclic ring. The aliphatic group represented by R1 preferably contains from 1 to 30 carbon atoms, and may be substituted or unsubstituted, straight or branched chain, or cyclic. Preferred substituents for an alkyl group include an alkoxy group, an aryloxy group, an amino group, an acylamino group, and a halogen atom. Thence substituents per se may be substituted. Suitable examples of aliphatic groups represented by R1, R2 and R3 are as follows: an isopropyl group, an isobutyl group a tert-butyl group, an isoamyl group, a tert-amyl group, a 1,1-dimethylbutyl group, a 1,1-dimethylb

thylhexyl group, a 1,1-diethylhexyl group, a dodecyl group, a hexadecyl group, an octadecyl group, a cyclohexyl group, a 2-methoxyisopropyl group, a 2-phenoxyisopropyl group, an α-aminoisopropyl group, an α-(diethylamino)isopropyl group, an α-(succinimido) isopropyl group, an α-(phthalimido)isopropyl group, and an α-(benzenesulfonamido)isopropyl group. When two R₁ or R₃ groups appear, they may be alike or different.

When R₁, R₂ or R₃ represents an aromatic group (particularly a phenyl group), the aromatic group may be substituted or unsubstituted. That is, the phenyl group can be employed per se or may be substituted by a group containing 32 or less carbon atoms, e.g., an alkyl group, an alkenyl group, an alkoxy group, an alkoxycarbonyl group, an alkoxycarbonylamino group, an aliphatic amido group, an alkylsulfamoyl group, an alkylsulfonamido group, an acylureido group, and an alkyl-substituted succinimido group. This alkyl group may contain an aromatic group, e.g., phenylene, in the chain thereof. The phenyl group may also be substituted by, e.g., an aryloxy group, an aryloxycarbonyl group, an arylcarbamoyl group, an arylamido group, an arylsulfamoyl group, an arylsulfonamido group, or an arylureido group. In these substituents, the aryl group portion may be further substituted by at least one alkyl group containing from 1 to 22 carbon atoms in total.

The phenyl group represented by R₁, R₂, or R₃ may be substituted by an amino group which may be further substituted by a lower alkyl group containing from 1 to 6 carbon atoms, a hydroxyl group, a carboxyl group, a sulfo group, a nitro group, a cyano group, a thiocyano group, or a halogen atom.

In addition, R₁, R₂ or R₃ may further represent a substituent resulting from condensation of a phenyl group with another ring, e.g., a naphthyl group, a quinolyl group, an isoquinolyl group, a furanyl group, a curnaranyl group, and a tetrahydronaphthyl group. These substituents per se may be further substituted.

When R₁ represents an alkoxy group, the alkyl portion of the alkoxy group contains from 1 to 40 carbon atoms and preferably from 1 to 22 carbon atoms, and is a straight or branched alkyl group, a straight or branched alkenyl group, a cyclic alkyl group, or a cyclic alkenyl group. These groups may be substituted by, e.g., a halogen atom, an aryl group or an alkoxy group.

When R_1 , R_2 or R_3 represents a heterocyclic ring, the heterocyclic ring is bound through one of the carbon atoms in the ring to the carbon atom of the carbonyl group of the acyl group in α -acylacetamide, or to the nitrogen atom of the amido group in α -acylacetamide. Examples of such heterocyclic rings are thiophene, furan, pyran, pyrrole, pyrazole, pyridine, piperidine, pyrimidine, pyridazine, indolizine, imidazole, thiazole, oxazole, triazine, thiazine anti oxazine. These heterocyclic rings may have a substituent on the ring thereof.

In structure (V), R₄ contains from 1 to 40 carbon atoms, preferably from 1 to 30 carbon atoms, and is a straight or branched alkyl group (e.g., methyl, isopropyl, tert-butyl, hexyl and dodecyl), an alkenyl group (e.g., an allyl group), a cyclic alkyl group (e.g., a cyclopentyl group, a cyclohexyl group and a norbornyl group), an aralkyl group (e.g., a benzyl group and a b-phenylethyl group), or a cyclic alkenyl group (e.g., a cyclopentenyl group and a cyclohexenyl group). These groups may be substituted by, e.g., a halogen atom, a nitro group, a cyano group, an aryl group, an alkoxy

group, an aryloxy group, a carboxyl group, an alkylthiocarbonyl group, an arylthiocarbonyl group, an alkoxycarbonyl group, an aryloxycarbonyl group, a sulfo group, a sulfamoyl group, a carbamoyl group, an acylamino group, a diacylamino group, a ureido group, a 5 urethane group, a thiourethane group, a sulfonamido group, a heterocyclic group, an arylsulfonyl group, an alkylsulfonyl group, an arylthio group, an alkylamino group, an anilino group, an N-arylanilino group, an N-alkylanilino 10 group, an N-acylanilino group, a hydroxyl group and a mercapto group.

R4 may further represent an aryl group, e.g. a phenyl group, and an α - or β -naphthyl group. This aryl group contains at least one substituent. These substituents 15 include an alkyl group, an alkenyl group, a cyclic alkyl group, an aralkyl group, a cyclic alkenyl group, a halogen atom, a nitro group, a cyano group, an aryl group, an alkoxy group, an aryloxy group, a carboxyl group, an alkoxycarbonyl group, an aryloxycarbonyl group, a 20 sulfo group, a sulfamoyl group, a carbamoyl group, an acylamino group, a diacylamino group, a ureido group, a urethane group, a sulfonamido group, a heterocyclic group, an arylsulfonyl group, an alkylsulfonyl group, an arylthio group, an alkylthio group, an alkylamino 25 group, a dialkylamino group, an anilino group, an Nalkylanilino group, an N-arylanilino group, an Nacylanilino group, a hydroxyl group and a mercapto group.

More preferably, R₄, is a phenyl group which is sub- 30 stituted by, e.g., an alkyl group, an alkoxy group or a halogen atom, in at least one of the ortho positions.

R₄ may further represent a heterocyclic ring (e.g., 5-or 6-membered heterocyclic or condensed heterocyclic group containing a nitrogen atom, an oxygen atom or a 35 sulfur atom as a hereto atom, such as a pyridyl group, a quinolyl group, a furyl group, a benzothiazolyl group, an oxazolyl group, an imidazolyl group and a naphthoxazolyl group), a heterocyclic ring substituted by the groups described for the aryl group as described above, 40 an aliphatic or aromatic acyl group, an alkylsulfonyl group, an arylsulfonyl group, an alkylcarbamoyl group, an arylcarbamoyl group, an alkylthiocarbamoyl group or an arylthiocarbamoyl group.

R₅ is a hydrogen atom, a straight or branched alkyl 45 group containing from 1 to 40 carbon atoms, preferably from 1 to 30 carbon atoms, an alkenyl group, a cyclic alkyl group, an aralkyl group, a cyclic alkenyl group to which may contain substituents as described for R₄), an aryl group and a heterocyclic group (which may con- 50 tain substituents as described for R₄), an alkoxycarbonyl group (e.g., a methoxycarbonyl group, an ethoxycarbonyl group and a stearyloxycarbonyl group), an aryloxyearbonyl group (e.g., a phenoxycarbonyl group, and a naphthoxycarbonyl group), an aralkyloxycarbonyl 55 group (e.g., a benzyloxycarbonyl group), an alkoxy group (e.g. a methoxy group, an ethoxy group and a heptadecyloxy group), an aryloxy group (e.g., a phenoxy group and a tolyloxy group), an alkylthio group (e.g., an ethylthio group, and a dodecylthio group), an 60 arylthio group (e.g., a phenylthio group and an a-naphthylthio group), a carboxyl group, an acylamino group (e.g., an acetylamino group and a 3-[(2,4-di-tert-amylphenoxy)acetamido]benzamido group), a diacylamino group, an N-alkylacylamino group (e.g., an N-methyl- 65 proprionamido group), an N-arylacylamino group (e.g., an N-phenylacetamido group), a ureido group (e.g. a ureido group and an N-arylureido group), a urethane

group, a thiourethane group, an arylamino group (e.g., a phenylamino group, an N-methylanilino group, a diphenylamino group, an N-acetylanilino group and a 2-chloro-5-tetradecanamidoanilino group), a dialkylamino group (e.g., a dibenzylamino group), an alkylamino group (e.g., an n-butylamino group, a metnylamino group and a cyclohexylamino group), a cycloamino group (e.g., a piperidino group and a pyrrolidino group), a heterocyclic amino group (e.g., a 4-piperidylamino group and a 2-benzoxazolylamino group), an alkylcarbonyl group (e.g., a methylcarbonyl group), an arylcarbonyl group (e.g., a phenylcarbonyl group), a sulfonamido group (e.g., an alkylsulfonamido group, and an arylsulfonamido group), a carbamoyl group (e.g., an ethylcarbamoyl group, a dimethylcarbamoyl group, an N-methylphenylcarbamoyl group, and an N-phenylcarbamoyl group), a 4,4'-sulfonyldiphenoxy group, a sulfamoyl group (e.g., an N-alkylsulfamoyl group, an N,N-dialkylsulfamoyl group, an Narylsulfamoyl group, an N-alkyl-N-arylsulfamoyl group and an N,N-diarylsulfamoyl group), a cyano group, a hydroxyl group, a mercapto group, a halogen atom or a sulfo group.

R₆, R₇ and R₈ each represents groups as used for the usual 4-equivalent type phenol or a-naphthol couplers. In greater detail, R₆ is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an aliphatic hydrocarbon residue, an acylamino group, —O—R9 or —S—R9 (wherein R9 is an aliphatic hydrocarbon residue). When there are two or more R₆ groups in the same molecule, they may be different. The aliphatic hydrocarbon residue includes those containing a substituent(s). R7 and R8 are each an aliphatic hydrocarbon residue, an aryl group or a heterocyclic residue. One of R7 and R8 may be a hydrogen atom, and the above-described groups for R7 and R8 may be substituted. R7 and R8 may combine together to form a nitrogen-containing heterocyclic nucleus. In the formulas, n is an integer of from 1 to 3, and p is an integer of from 1 to 5.

The aliphatic hydrocarbon residue may be saturated or unsaturated, straight, branched or cyclic. Preferred examples are an alkyl group (e.g., a methyl group, an ethyl group, a propyl group, an isopropyl group, a butyl group, a tert-butyl group, an isobutyl group, a dodecyl group, an octadecyl group, a cyclobutyl group, and a cyclobexyl group), and an alkenyl group (e,g., an allyl group, and an octenyl group).

The aryl group includes a phenyl group and a naphthyl group, and typical examples of heterocyclic residues are a pyridinyl group, a quinolyl group, a thienyl group, a piperidyl group and an imidazolyl group. Substituents which may be introduced to these aliphatic hydrocarbon, aryl, and heterocyclic groups include a halogen atom, a nitro group, a hydroxyl group, a carboxyl group, an amino group, a substituted amino group, a sulfo group, an alkyl group, an alkenyl group, an aryl group, a heterocyclic group, an alkoxy group, an aryloxy group, an arylthio group, an arylazo group, an acylamino group, a carbamoyl group, an ester group, an acyl group, an acyloxy group, a sulfonamido group, a sulfamoyl group, a sulfonyl group and a morpholino group.

In compounds (II) to (XXII), the substituents, R₁, R₂, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₆, R₇ and R₈ may combine together to form symmetrical or asymmetrical composite couplers, or any of the substituents may become a divalent group to form symmetrical or asymmetrical composite couplers.

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In compounds VIII: S_{10} , S_{11} and S_{12} each represents a methine, a substituted methine, =N-, or -NH-; one of $S_{10}-S_{11}$ bond and $S_{11}-S_{12}$ bond is a double bond and the other is a single bond; when $S_{11}-S_{12}$ is a carbon-carbon double bond, the double bond may be a part of an aromatic ring; the compound of general formula VIII includes the case that it forms a dimmer or higher polymer at R_4 ; and also when S_{10} , S_{11} or S_{12} is a substituted methine, the compound includes the case that it 10 forms a dimer or higher polymer with the substituted methine. Polymer formation can also take place through the linking group $-(TIME)_n-$ in all image modifying compounds employed in this invention.

If R₁ through R₈ of structures II through VIII are a ballast such that the dye which is formed on reaction with oxidized developer remains in the film after processing then the formulae are represented by Type II examples.

Especially preferred are those couplers which undergo a coupling reaction with an oxidation product of a developing agent, releasing a development inhibitor, but do not leave a dye in the film which could cause 25 degradation of the color quality. If R₁ through R₁₀ of compounds II through VIII are not a ballast such that the subsequent dye formed from CAR is not immobilized, and is removed from the film during processing, then the formulae are represented by Type I examples. 30 Also included in these Type I examples are formulae IX, X, XI and XII in which R₁ through R₈ do represent a ballast, but CAR either forms a colorless product or doesn't form a dye on reaction with oxidized developer 35 (as in the case with formulae XI and XII) or the dye that is formed is decolorized by subsequent reactions in the process (as is the case with compounds IX and XII).

Also preferred structures which would produce the same effects as DIR couplers without leaving a retained ⁴⁰ dye in the film are those in which CAR is a material capable of undergoing a redox reaction with the oxidized product of a developing agent and subsequently releasing a development inhibitor as described in U.S. Pat. No. 4,684,604 and represented by the formula IX where T represents a substituted aryl group, T may be represented by phenyl, naphthyl; and heterocyclic aryl rings (e.g. pyridyl) and may be substituted by one or more groups such as alkoxy, alkyl, aryl, halogen, and ⁵⁰ those groups described as R₅.

In the compound B, $-(TIME)_n$ —INH(2) is a group which is not released until after reaction with the oxidized developing agent either through cross oxidization 55 or dye formation.

—(TIME)_n— in the compound B is one or more linking or timing groups connected to CAR through a oxygen atom, a nitrogen atom, or a sulfur atom which is capable of releasing INH(2) from —(TIME)_n—INH(2) on the time of development through one or more reaction stages. Suitable examples of these types of groups are found in U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,248,962, 4,409,323, 4,146,396, British Pat. 2,096,783, Japanese Patent Application (Opi) Nos. 146828/76 and 56837/82, etc.

Preferred examples of —(TIME)— are those represented by the following examples XIII-XX:

$$R_{10}$$
(CH₂)_kNCO-R₂

$$R_{10}$$
 (CH₂)—

$$R_{10}$$
 CH_2

$$R_2$$
— N
 CH_2 —
 R_{10}

N
$$(C_2)_k$$
NCO-
 R_{10}

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & XVIII \\
-N & N \\
O & (CH_2)_k NCO - \\
R_2
\end{array}$$

$$R_2$$
 $CH_2)_kNCO$
 R_{10}
 R_{10}

$$-z$$
 $-z$
 $-c$
 R_{10}
 R_{10}
 R_{10}

In each of the foregoing compounds, the bond on the left is attached to either CAR or another —(TIME)—moiety, and the bond to the right is attached to INH(2). R₁₀ group refers to a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an alkyl group, an alkenyl group, an aralkyl group, an alkoxy group, an alkoxy group, an anilino

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group, an acylamino group, a ureido group, a cyano group, a nitro group, a sulfonimido group, a sulfamoyl group, a carbamoyl group, an aryl group, a carboxy group, a sulfo group, a hydroxy group, or an alkanosulfonyl group. The alkyl group on R₁₀ contains 1 to 32 5 carbons. In the general formulae X-XXII, Z is oxygen, nitrogen, or sulfur, and k is an integer of 0 to 2.

When n=0, $-(TIME)_n$ — also represents a single bond such that CAR may be directly joined to INH(2).

For n=2, there can be a combination of any two 10 timing groups mentioned in formulas XIII to XX which still allows the fragmentation and release of INH(2) during color development after CAR has reacted with the oxidized developer. The combination of two timing groups may be used to improve the release of the inhibitor fragment INH(2) either through rate of release and/or diffusability of —(TIME)_n—INH(2) or any of its subsequent fragments. For example, two preferred structures are XXI AND XXII.

$$R_{10}$$
 CH_2Z
 $(CH_2)_k$
 R_{10}
 R_{2}

Naphtholic DIR couplers as described can be prepared by reactions and methods known in the organic compound synthesis art. Similar reactions and methods are described in U.S. Pat. No. 4,482,629. Typically, the following naphtholic coupler is prepared by the following method:

A6

-continued Schematic synthesis of DIR-1

Synthesis of DIR-1:

Compound (A2):

Phenyl 1,4-dihydroxy-2-naphthoate (100.0 g, 357 45 mmol) was dissolved in deoxygenated tetrahydrofuran (500 mL), and deoxygenated methanol (500 mL) was added. To this solution, stirred at room temperature under the nitrogen atmosphere, was added ammonium acetate (50.0 g, 649 mmol), followed by concentrated 50 ammonium hydroxide (1.0 L). After stirring for 3 hours the reaction was then poured into ice cold 2N HCl (4.0 L), and enough concentrated HCl was added to bring the pH to 1. The resulting product, compound (A2) was filtered off, washed well with water and air dried. The 55 crude product was washed with dichloromethane and air dried. Yield: 62.0 g (72%).

Compound (A3):

Compound (A2) (50.0 g, 0.246 mol) was dissolved in 60 dry pyridine (150 mL), and acetonitrile (75 mL) was added. The solution was stirred and cooled to between -5° to 0° C. Ethyl chloroformate (50.0 mL, 0.523 mol) was then added dropwise with stirring while maintaining the temperature at 0° C. After the addition, the 65 cooling bath was removed, and the temperature was allowed to reach room temperature. The reaction mixture was then gradually heated to reflux, and the sol-

vent allowed to distill off. This procedure was continued until the temperature had risen to approximately 120° C. and 150 mL of solvent had been collected. Heating under reflux was continued for an additional 1 hour period. The reaction mixture was then cooled to approximately 50° C. and poured into 2N HCl (3.0 L) held at room temperature. The resulting suspension was then stirred for approximately 15 minutes, filtered, and the residue washed well with water, acetonitrile and, finally, ether. This gave the product, compound (A3) sufficiently pure for the next step. Yield: 43.5 g (77%)

Compound (A4):

Compound (A3) (23.0 g, 100 mmol) was taken up in deoxygenated dimethylsulphoxide (250 mL) and deoxygenated water (25 mL) added. To this solution, stirred at room temperature under nitrogen, was added 85%-potassium hydroxide (9.9 g, 150 mmol) and stirring continued until dissolution, approximately 15 minutes. 4-Chloro-3-nitrobenzaldehyde (18.6 mmol) was then added all at once and the resulting solution stirred at 60° C. for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was then poured into ice cold 2N HCl (2.0 L) and the product filtered off. The product, compound (A4), was washed with water and, while still wet, slurried in methanol, filtered and washed with ether. This product was pure enough to be used in the next step. Yield: 28.0 g (74%).

Compound (A5):

Compound (A4) (28.0 g, 74.0 mmol), in a powdered form, was suspended in tetrahydrofuran (150 mL) and methanol (100 mL). Water (100 mL) was added fol- 5 lowed by sodium borohydride (2.80 g, 74.0 mmol) in small portions. More tetrahydrofuran (50 mL) was added to aid stirring. At the end of the sodium borohydride addition complete dissolution had been achieved. The reaction was allowed to proceed for a further 15 10 minutes, then poured into ice cold 2N HCl (2.0 L) and the product filtered off. The product (A5) was washed with methanol and while still wet with solvent, suspended in ethanol and heated to reflux. The solution was cooled; the product (A5) was filtered, washed with 15 methanol and ether, and finally air dried. A second crop of material was obtained on concentrating the mother liquor. Total yield: 19.5 g (67%).

Compound (A6):

Compound (A5) (19.0 g, 50.0 mmol) was suspended in water (200 mL) containing 85% potassium hydroxide (26.3 g, 400 mmol). Methanol (50 mL) was added, and the mixture was then heated to 80° C. for 1 hour. The resulting dark yellow-brown solution was cooled and 25 poured into ice cold 2N HCl (2.0 L). The yellow product was filtered off, washed well with water, and air dried. Yield: 17.7 g (100%).

Compound (A7):

Compound (A6) (17.7 g, 70.0 mmol) was dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (80 mL) and methanol (300 mL) added. Raney-Nickel which had been washed several times with water and then methanol was added, and the solution hydrogenated at 55 psi for 2 hours, after which 35 hydrogen up-take had ceased. The catalyst was filtered off and washed with methanol, and the filtrate concentrated under reduced pressure to give product (A7). This product was deemed sufficiently pure to be carried on to the next step. Yield: 100%.

Compound (A8):

Compound (A7) (50.0 mmol) was dissolved in dry pyridine (150 mL), and hexadecylsulfonyl chloride pounds (16.2 g, 50.0 mmol) added. The solution was stirred at 45 below: room temperature under a nitrogen atmosphere for 30

minutes. The pyridine was concentrated under reduced pressure, and the residue taken up in ethyl acetate. This ethyl acetate solution was then washed three times with 2N HCl, dried over MgSO₄, filtered, and concentrated. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residual oil crystallized from acetonitrile. Yield: 16.3 g (53% calculated from compound (A5).

Compound (A13):

Compound (A8) (4.00 g, 6.53 mmol) was suspended in dry ether (30 mL), and phosphorous tribromide (0.68 mL, 7.2 mmol) in ether (20 mL) added dropwise over a 15 minute period. After the addition the reaction was diluted with ether, and the ether was solution washed once with 2N HCl and then dried over MgSO₄ filtered, and concentrated to give compound (A13). Yield: 100%.

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Compound (A13) (31,6 g, 46.7 mmol) and the cyclohexylamine salt of p-methoxybenzyl mercaptotetrazole, (A14), (15.0 g, 46.7 mmol) were dissolved in 150 ml anhydrous tetrahydrofuran and stirred at room temperature overnight in a stoppered flask. The solution was poured into 10% HCl and the product extracted into ethyl acetate. The ethyl acetate layer was washed with saturated NaHCO₃ and water; it was dried over MgSO₄, filtered and evaporated. The residue was recrystallized first from acetonitrile and then from toluene to give 26.0 g DIR-1 as an off-white solid, mp 155°-157° C. Yield: 68%.

All compounds gave satisfactory 300 MHz NMR spectra and other analytical data consistent with the desired compounds.

For this invention, the image modifying compound of the type described above is present in a silver halide layer which contributes to image formation by substantial formation of a dye. It is preferred that the image modifying compound be present in an amount of from about 0.5 to about 30 mg/ft² (0.0054 to 0.323 g/m² of the reversal color material, e.g. film; more preferably, from 1 to about 10 mg/ft² (0.01 to 0.208 g/m²).

Illustrative but not limiting image modifying compounds which can be employed in this invention appear below:

$$\begin{array}{c} C_{12}H_{25}-CH-C\\ \\ C_{12}H_{25}-CH-C\\ \\ C_{12}H_{25}-CH-C\\ \\ \\ C_{12}H_{25}-CH-C\\ \\ \\ \\ N-N\\ \\ \end{array}$$

t-C₄H₉ CH
$$\sim$$
 NHSO₂C₁₆H₃₃ \sim CH₂ \sim N= N

-continued DIR-8

and DIR-9
$$C_{11}H_{23}C(O)NH$$

$$DIR-9$$

$$H_{21}C_{10}$$
—CHC(O)—NH—NHNHC(O)—OCH₂—N N—CH₂
N=N
OEt

$$\begin{array}{c} OH \\ OH \\ OC_2H_5-CH-C-NH \\ OC_2H_5-CH-C-NH \\ OC_3H_7 \\ OC_5H_{11}(t) \\ OC_5H_{11}(t) \\ OC_7 \\ OC_8H_{11}(t) \\ OC_8H_{1$$

DIR-12
$$CO_{2}C_{12}H_{25}$$

$$O_{2}N$$

$$C_{1}$$

$$C_{2}H_{25}$$

$$C_{2}H_{25}$$

$$C_{3}H_{25}$$

$$C_{4}H_{9}-t$$

$$N-N$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} OH & O \\ \hline & NH_2 \\ \hline &$$

DIR-13

OH O DIR-17
$$N+(CH_2)_2CO_2H$$

$$N-N$$

$$N-N$$

$$C_{11}H_{23}$$
OCH₃

DIR-24

OH ONH2
$$NH_{2}$$

$$NH_{3}-n$$

$$N-N$$

$$N-N$$

DIR-29
$$CH_3$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{DIR-31} \\ \text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{-CH-C-NH} \\ \text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{25} \\ \text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{25} \\ \text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{25} \\ \text{N}_{11}\text{-t} \\ \text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{25} \\ \text{N}_{11}\text{-t} \\ \text{N}_{11}\text{-t} \\ \text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{25} \\ \text{N}_{11}\text{-t} \\ \text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{25} \\ \text{N}_{11}\text{-t} \\ \text{N}_{11}\text{-t} \\ \text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{25} \\ \text{N}_{11}\text{-t} \\ \text{N}_{10}\text{-t} \\ \text{N}_{10}\text{-$$

OH O DIR-36 OH O DIR-37
$$\begin{array}{c} OH & O \\ NH_2 \\ NHSO_2C_{16}H_{33} \\ O \\ NH_3CO \\ NH_3 \\ O \\ NH_3 \\$$

DIR-40

In order to incorporate the compounds according to the present invention and couplers to be used together into a silver halide emulsion layer known methods, including those described, e.g., in U.S. Pat. No. 2,322,027 can be used. For example, they can De dissolved in a solvent and then dispersed in a hydrophilic colloid. Examples of solvents usable for this process include organic solvents having a high boiling point, such as alkyl esters of phthalic acid (e.g., dibutyl phthalate, dioctyl phthalate, etc.), phosphoric acid esters (e.g., 30 diphenyl phosphate, triphenyl phosphate, tricresyl phosphate, dioctyl butyl phosphate, etc.) citric acid esters (e.g., tributyl acetyl citrate, etc.) benzoic acid esters (e.g., octyl benzoate, etc.), alkylamides (e.g., diethyl laurylamides, etc.), esters of fatty acids (e.g. dibutoxyethyl succinate, dioctyl azelate, etc.), trimesic acid esters (e.g., tributyl trimesate, etc.), or the like; and organic solvents having a boiling point of from about 30° to about 150° C., such as lower alkyl acetates (e.g., ethyl acetate, butyl acetate, etc.), ethyl propionate, secondary butyl alcohol, methyl isobutyl ketone, b-40 ethoxyethyl acetate, methyl cellosolve acetate, or the like. Mixtures of organic solvents having a high boiling point and organic solvents having a low boiling point can also be used.

It is also possible to utilize the dispersing method using polymers, as described in Japanese Patent Publication No. 39853/76 and Japanese Patent Application (OPI) No. 59943/76.

Of the couplers, those having an acid group, such as a carboxylic acid group or a sulfonic acid group, can be introduced into hydrophilic colloids as an aqueous alkaline solution.

As the binder or the protective colloid for the photographic emulsion layers or intermediate layers of the 55 photographic light-sensitive material of the present invention, gelatin is advantageously used, but other hydrophilic colloids can be used alone or together with gelatin.

As gelatin in the present invention, not only limeprocessed gelatin, but also acid-processed gelatin may be employed. The methods for preparation of gelatin are described in greater detail in Ather Veis, The Macromolecular Chemistry of Gelatin, Academic Press (1964).

As the above-described hydrophilic colloids other 65 than gelatin, it is possible to use proteins such as gelatin derivatives, graft polymers of gelatin and other polymers, albumin, casein, etc.; saccharides such as cellulose derivatives such as hydroxyethyl cellulose, cellulose

sulfate, etc., sodium alginate, starch derivatives, etc.; and various synthetic hydrophilic high molecular weight substances such as homopolymers or copolymers, for example, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl alcohol semiacetal, poly-N-vinylpyrrolidone, polyacrylic acid, polymethacrylic acid, polyacrylamide, polyvinyl imidazole, polyvinylpyrazole, etc.

In the photographic emulsion layer of the photographic light-sensitive material used in the present invention, any of silver bromide, silver iodobromide, silver iodochlorobromide, silver chlorobromide and silver chloride may be used as the silver halide. A preferred silver halide is silver iodobromide containing 15 mol % or less of silver iodide. A silver iodobromide emulsion containing from 2 mol % to 12 mol % of silver iodide is particularly preferred.

Although the mean grain size of silver halide particles in the photographic emulsion (the mean grain size being determined with a grain diameter in those particles which are spherical or nearly spherical, and an edge length in those particles which are cubic as a grain size, and is expressed as a mean value calculated from projected areas) is not particularly limited, it is preferably 6 um or less.

The distribution of grain size may be broad or narrow.

Silver halide particles in the photographic emulsion may have a regular crystal structure, e.g., a cubic or octahedral structure, an irregular crystal structure, e.g., a spherical or plate-like structure, or a composite structure thereof. In addition, silver halide particles composed of those having different crystal structures may be used.

Further, the photographic emulsion wherein at least 50 percent of the total projected area of silver halide particles in tabular silver halide particles having a diameter at least five times their thickness may be employed.

The inner portion and the surface layer of silver halide particles may be different in phase. Silver halide particles may be those in which a latent image is formed mainly on the surface thereof, or those in which a latent image is formed mainly in the interior thereof.

The photographic emulsion used in the present invention can be prepared in any suitable manner, e.g., by the methods as described in P. Glafkides, Chimie et Physique Photographique, Paul Montel (1967), G. F. Duffin, Photographic Emulsion Chemistry, The Focal Press (1966), and V. L. Zelikman et al., Making and Coating Photographic Emulsion, The Focal Press (1964). That is, any

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of an acid process, a neutral process, an ammonia process, etc., can be employed.

Soluble silver salts and soluble halogen salts can be reacted by techniques such as a single jet process, a double-jet process, and a combination thereof. In addition, there can be employed a method (so-called reversal mixing process) in which silver halide particles are formed in the presence of an excess of silver ions.

As one system of the double jet process, a so-called controlled double jet process in which the pAg in a 10 liquid phase where silver halide is formed is maintained at a predetermined level can be employed. This process can produce a silver halide emulsion in which the crystal form is regular and the grain size is nearly uniform.

Two or more kinds of silver halide emulsions which 15 are prepared separately may be used as a mixture.

The formation or physical ripening of silver halide particles may be carried out in the presence of cadmium salts, zinc salts, lead salts, thallium salts, iridium salts or its complex salts, the rhodium salts or its complex salts, 20 iron salts or its complex salts, and the like.

For removal of soluble salts from the emulsion after precipitate formation or physical ripening, a well known noodle washing process in which gelatin is gelated may be used. In addition, a flocculation process 25 utilizing inorganic salts having a polyvalent anion (e.g., sodium sulfate), anionic surface active agents, anionic polymers (e.g., polystyrenesulfonic acid), or gelatin derivatives (e.g., aliphatic acylated gelatin, aromatic acrylated gelatin and aromatic carbamoylated gelatin) 30 may be used.

Silver halide emulsions are usually chemically sensitized. For this chemical sensitization, for example, the methods as described in H. Frieser ed., Die Grundlagen Der Photographischen Prozesse mit Silberhalogeniden, 35 Akademische Verlagsgesellschaft, pages 675 to 734 (1968) can be used. Namely, a sulfur sensitization process using active gelatin or compounds (e.g., thiosulfates, thioureas, mercapto compounds and rhodanines) containing sulfur capable of reacting with silver; a re- 40 duction sensitization process using reducing substances (e.g., stannous salts, amines, hydrazine derivatives, formamidinesulfinic acid and silane compounds); a noble metal sensitization process using noble metal compounds (e.g., complex salts of Group VIII metals in the 45 Periodic Table, such as Pt, Ir and Pd, etc., as well as gold complex salts); and so forth can be applied alone or in combination with each other.

The photographic emulsion used in the present invention may include various compounds for the purpose of 50 preventing fog formation or of stabilizing photographic performance in the photographic light sensitive material during the production, storage or photographic processing thereof. For example, those compounds known as antifoggants or stabilizers can be incorpo- 55 rated, including azoles such as benzothiazolium salts; nitrobenzimidazoles, nitroimidazoles, chlorobenzimidazoles, bromobenzimidazoles, mercaptothiazoles, mercaptobenzimidazoles, mercaptobenzothiazoles, mercaptothiadiazoles, aminotriazoles, benzotriazoles, 60 nitrobenzotriazoles, mercaptotetrazoles (particular 1phenyl-5-mercaptotetrazole), etc.; mercaptopyrimidines; mercaptotriazines; thioketo compounds such as oxazolinethione, etc.; azaindenes such as triazaindenes, tetraazaindenes (particularly 4-hydroxysubstituted 65 (1,3,3a,7)tetraazaindenes), pentaazaindenes, etc.; benzenethiosulfonic acids; benzenesulfinic acids; benzenesulfonic amides, etc.

In the photographic emulsion layers or other hydrophilic colloid layers of the photographic light sensitive material of the present invention can be incorporated various surface active agents as coating aids or for other various purposes, e.g., prevention of charging, improvement of slipping properties, acceleration of emulsification and dispersion, prevention of adhesion and improvement of photographic characteristics (for example, development acceleration, high contrast, and sensitization), etc.

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Surface active agents which can be used are nonionic surface active agents, e.g., saponin (steroid-based), alkyene oxide derivatives (e.g., polyethylene glycol, a polyethylene glycol/polypropylene glycol condensate, polyethylene glycol alkyl ethers or polyethylene glycol alkylaryl ethers, polyethylene glycol esters, polyethylene glycol sorbitan esters, polyalkylene glycol alkylamines or polyalkylene glycol alkylamides, and silicone/polyethylene oxide adducts, etc.), glycidol derivatives (e.g., alkenylsuccinic acid polyglyceride and alkylphenol polyglyceride, etc.), fatty acid esters of polyhydric alcohols and alkyl esters of sugar, etc.; anionic surface active agents containing an acidic group, such as a carboxy group, a sulfo group, a phospho group, a sulfuric acid esters group, and a phosphoric acid ester group, for example, alkylcarboxylic acid salts, alkylsulfonic acid salts, alkylbenzenesulfonic acid salts, alkylnaphthalenesulfonic acid salts, alkylsulfuric acid esters, alkylphosphoric acid esters, N-acyl-N-alkyltaurines, sulfosuccinic acid esters, sulfoalkylpolyoxyethylene alkylphenyl ethers, and polyoxyethylene alkylphosphoric acid esters, amphoteric surface active agents, such as amino acids, aminoalkylsulfonic acids, aminoalkylsulfuric acid or aminoalkylphosphoric acid esters, alkylbetaines, and amine oxides; and cationic surface active agents, e.g., alkylamine salts, aliphatic or aromatic quaternary ammonium salts, heterocyclic quaternary ammonium salts (e.g., pyridinium and imidazolium) and aliphatic or hetercyclic phosphonium or sulfonium salts.

The photographic emulsion layer of the photographic light-sensitive material of the present invention may contain compounds such as polyalkylene oxide or its ether, ester, amine or like derivatives, thioether compounds, thiomorpholines, quaternary ammonium salt compounds, urethane derivatives, urea derivatives, imidazole derivatives, and 3-pyrazolidones for the purpose of increasing sensitivity or contrast, or of accelerating development.

In the photographic emulsion layer or other hydrophilic colloid layers of the photographic lightsensitive material of the present invention can be incorporated water-insoluble or sparingly soluble synthetic polymer dispersions for the purpose of improving dimensional stability, etc. Synthetic polymers which can be used include homo- or copolymers of alkyl acrylate or methacrylate, alkoxyalkyl acrylate or methacrylate, glycidyl acrylate or methacrylate, acrylamide or methacrylamide, vinyl esters (e.g., vinyl acetate), acrylonitrile, olefins, styrene, etc. and copolymers of the foregoing monomers and acrylic acid, methacrylic acid, α,β -unsaturated dicarboxylic acid, hydroxyalkyl acrylate or methacrylate, sulfoalkyl acrylate or methacrylate, and styrenesulfonic acid, etc.

In photographic processing of layers composed of photographic emulsions in the photographic light sensitive material of the present invention, any of known procedures and known processing solutions, e.g., those 51

described in Research Disclosure, No. 176, pages 28 to 30 can be used. The processing temperature is usually chosen from between 18° C. and 50° C., although it may be lower than 18° C. or higher than 50° C.

Any fixing solutions which have compositions gener-5 ally used can be used in the present invention. As fixing agents, thiosulfuric acid salts and thiocyanic acid salts, and in addition, organic sulfur compounds which are known to be effective as fixing agents can be used. These fixing solutions may contain water-soluble alumi- 10 num salts as hardeners.

Color developing solutions are usually alkaline aqueous solutions containing color developing agents. As these color developing, agents, known primary aromatic amine developing agents, e.g., phenylenediamines 15 such as 4-amino-N,N-diethylaniline, 3-methyl-4-amino-N,N-diethylaniline, 4-amino-N-ethyl-N- β -hydroxyethylaniline, 3-methyl-4-amino-N-ethyl-N- β -hydroxyethylaniline, 3-methyl-4-amino-N- β -methanesulfonamidoethylaniline, 4-amino-3-methyl-N-ethyl-N- β - 20 methoxyethylaniline, etc., can be used to make color reversal developers.

In addition, the compounds as described in L. F. A. Mason, *Photographic Processing Chemistry*, Focal Press, pages 226 to 229 (1966), U.S. Pat. Nos. 2,193,015 and 25 2,592,364, Japanese Patent Application (OPI) No. 64933/73, etc., may be used.

The color developing solutions can further contain pH buffering agents such as sulfite, carbonates, borates and phosphates of alkali metals, etc. developing inhibi- 30 tors or anti-fogging agents such as bromides, iodides or organic anti-fogging agents, etc. In addition, if desired, the color developing solution can also contain water softeners; preservatives such as hydroxylamine, etc.; organic solvents such as benzyl alcohol, diethylene 35 glycol, etc.; developing accelerators such as polyethylene glycol, quaternary ammonium salts, amines, etc; dye forming couplers; competing couplers; fogging agents such a sodium borohydride, etc.; auxiliary developing agents; viscosity-imparting agents; acid type che- 40 lating agents; anti-oxidizing agents; and the like.

After color developing, the photographic emulsion layer is usually bleached. This bleach processing may be performed simultaneously with a fix processing, or they may be performed independently.

Bleaching agents which can be used include compounds of metals, e.g., iron (III), cobalt (III), chromium (VI), and copper (II) compounds. For example, organic complex salts of iron (III) or cobalt (III), e.g., complex salts of acids (e.g., nitrilotriacetic acid, 1,3-diamino-2-50 propanoltetraacetic acid, etc.) or organic acids (e.g., citric acid, tartaric acid, malic acid, etc.); persulfates; permanganates; nitrosophenol, etc. can be used. Of these compounds, potassium ferricyanide, iron (III) sodium ethylenediaminetetraacetate, and iron (III) ammonium ethylenediaminetetraacetate are particularly useful. Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid iron (III) complex salts are useful in both an independent bleaching solution and a mono-bath bleachfixing solution.

The photographic emulsion used in the present inven- 60 tion can also be spectrally sensitized with methine dyes or other dyes. Suitable dyes which can be employed include cyanine dyes, merocyanine dyes, complex cyanine dyes, complex merocyanine dyes, homopolar cyanine dyes, hemicyanine dyes, styryl dyes, and hemiox- 65 onol dyes. Of these dyes, cyanine dyes, merocyanine dyes and complex merocyanine dyes are particularly useful.

Any conventionally utilized nuclei for cyanine dyes are applicable to these dyes as basic heterocyclic nuclei. That is, a pyrroline nucleus, an oxazoline nucleus, a thiazoline nucleus, a pyrrole nucleus, an oxazole nucleus, a thiazole nucleus, a selenazole nucleus, an imidazole nucleus, a tetrazole nucleus, a pyridine nucleus, etc., and further, nuclei formed by condensing alicyclic hydrocarbon rings with these nuclei and nuclei formed by condensing aromatic hydrocarbon rings with these nuclei, that is, an indolenine nucleus, a benzindolenine nucleus, an indole nucleus, a benzoxazole nucleus, a naphthoxazole nucleus, a benzothiazole nucleus, a naphthothiazole nucleus, a benzoselenazole nucleus, a benzimidazole nucleus, a quinoline nucleus, etc., are appropriate. The carbon atoms of these nuclei can also be substituted.

The merocyanine dyes and the complex merocyanine dyes that can be employed contain 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic nuclei such as pyrazolin-5-one nucleus, a thiohydantoin nucleus, a 2-thioxazolidin-2,4-dione nucleus, a thiazolidine-2,4-dione nucleus, a rhodanine nucleus, a thiobarbituric acid nucleus, and the like.

These sensitizing dyes can be employed individually, and can also be employed in combination. A combination of sensitizing dyes is often used particularly for the purpose of supersensitization.

The sensitizing dyes may be present in the emulsion together with dyes which themselves do not give rise to spectrally sensitizing effects but exhibit a supersensitizing effect or materials which do not substantially absorb visible light but exhibit a supersensitizing effect. For example, aminostilbene compounds substituted with a nitrogen-containing heterocyclic group (e.g., those described in U.S. Pat. Nos. 2,933,390 and 3,635,721), aromatic organic acid-formaldehyde condensates (e.g., those described in U.S. Pat. No, 3,743,510), cadmium salts, azaindene compounds, and the like, can be present.

The present invention is also applicable to a multilayer multicolor photographic material containing layers sensitive to at least two different spectral wavelength ranges on a support. A multilayer color photographic material generally possesses at least one redsensitive silver halide emulsion layer, at least one greensensitive silver halide emulsion layer and at least one blue-sensitive silver halide emulsion layer, respectively, on a support. The order of these layers can be varied, if desired. Ordinarily, a cyan forming coupler is present in a red-sensitive emulsion layer, a magenta forming coupler is present in a green-sensitive emulsion layer and yellow forming coupler is pro, sent in a blue-sensitive emulsion layer, respectively. However, if desired, a different combination can be employed.

The color reversal films of this invention are typically multilayer materials such as described in U.S. Pat. No. 4,082,553, U.S. Pat. No. 4,729,943, and U.S. Pat. No. 4,912,024; paragraph bridging pages 37–38. The support and other elements are as known in the art, e.g. see U.S. Pat. No. 4,912,024, column 38, line 37, and references cited therein.

EXAMPLE 1

The invention is illustrated by the following example:

A method for the determination of "inhibitor strength" is described below:

First, a green sensitive silver bromoiodide gelatin emulsion containing 4.0 mol-percent iodide and having an approximate grain length/thickness ratio of

0.70/0.09 micrometers was mixed with a coupler dispersion comprising Cyan Coupler C-1 dispersed in half its weight of di-n-butylphthalate. The resulting mixture was coated onto a cellulose triacetate support according to the following format:

OVERCOAT	gelatin	7.5 g/m2
LAYER:	bis(vinylsulfonylmethyl) ether hardener (1.9% of total gelatin weight)	
EMULSION	AgBrI emulsion (as silver)	1.08 g/m2
LAYER:	coupler	2.07
mmoles/m2 FILM SUPPORT	gelatin	4.04 g/m2

The resulting photographic element (hereafter referred to as the test coating) was cut into 12 inch×35 mm strips and was imagewise exposed to light through a graduated density test object in a commercial sensitometer (3000 K light source, 0-3 step wedge, with a Wratten 99 plus 0.3 ND filter) for 0.01 sec to provide a developable latent image. The exposed strip as then slit lengthwise into two 12 inch×16 mm strips. One strip so prepared was subjected to the photographic process 25 sequence outlined below:

First developer	4 min.
Water wash	2 min.
Reversal bath	2 min.
Color developer	4 min.
Conditioner	2 min.
Bleach	6 min.
Fix	4 min.
Water wash	2 min.

All solutions of the above process were held at a temperature of 36.9° C. The compositions of the processing solution are as follows:

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First developer:		
Amino tris(methylenephosphonic acid), pentasodium	0.56 g	
salt		
Diethylenetriaminepentaacetic acid, pentasodium salt	2.50 g	
Potassium sulfite	29.75 g	4.5
Sodium bromide .	2.34 g	45
Potassium hydroxide	4.28 g	
Potassium iodide	4.50 mg	
4-Hydroxymethyl-4-methyl-1-phenyl-3-pyrazolidinone	1.50 g	
Potassium carbonate	14.00 g	•
Sodium bicarbonate	12.00 g	
Potassium hydroquinone sulfonate	23.40 g	50
Acetic acid (glacial)	0.58 g	
Water to make 1.0 liter		
Reversal bath:		
Propionic acid	11.90 g	
Stannous chloride (anhydrous)	1.65 g	
p-Aminophenol	0.5 mg	55
Sodium hydroxide	4.96 g	
Amino tris(methylenephosphonic acid),	8.44 g	
Water to make 1.0 liter		
Color Developer:		
Amino tris(methylenephosphonic acid), pentasodium	2.67 g	
salt		60
Phosphoric acid (75% solution)	17.40 g	
Sodium bromide	0.65 g	
Potassium iodide	37.50 mg	
Potassium hydroxide	27.72 g	
Sodium sulfite	6.08 g	
Sodium metabisulfite	0.50 g	65
Citrazinic acid	0.57 g	•••
Methanesulfonamide, N-[2-[(4-amino-	10.42 g	
3-methylphenyl)ethylamino]ethyl]-sulfate (2:3)	_	
3,6-dithia-1,8-octanediol	0.87 g	
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Acetic acid (glacial) Water to make 1.0 liter Conditioner: (Ethylenedinitrillo)tetraacetic acid 1.1 8.0	- О g О g
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5 (Ethylenedinitrillo)tetraacetic acid 8.0	_
) g
Potassium sulfite 13.1	~ <i>C</i> }
Thioglycerol 0.5	2 g
Water to make 1.0 liter	•
Bleach:	
Potassium nitrate 25.0	0 g
10 Ammonium bromide 64.2	0 g
Ammonium ferric (ethylenediamine) 124.9	0 g
Hydrobromic acid 24.5	8 g
(Ethylenedinitrilo) tetraacetic acid 4.0	0 g
Potassium hydroxide 1.7	4 g
Water to make 1.0 liter	
15 <u>Fixer:</u>	
Ammonium thiosulfate 95.4	9 g
Ammonium sulfite 6.7	6 g
(Etlhylenedinitrilo)tetraacetic acid 0.5	9 g
Sodium metabisulfite 7.1	2 g
Sodium hydroxide 1.0	0 g
Water to make 1.0 liter	

After the test coating was subjected to this processing sequence and dried the maximum density was read to status A densitometry using a commercial densitometer. This density is called D_{max} (solution A).

The other half of the exposed test coating was processed through the same sequence except that the color developer contained 0.25 mmol of the INH compound in addition to the components listed in the above formula. The maximum density obtained for the test coating processed in this manner is called D_{max} (solution B). The inhibitor number, IN, of the INH compound is; defined as:

$$IN = \frac{D_{max} \text{ (solution } A) - D_{max} \text{ (solution } B)}{D_{max} \text{ (solution } A)} \times 100$$

The inhibitor strength, IS, of the INH compound is defined as:

$$IS = \frac{IN_{(test)}}{IN_{(control)}}$$

where IN_(test) is the inhibitor number determined by the method described above fox any INH compound of interest, and IN_(control) is the inhibitor number determined for the test coating when 1-phenyl-5-mercapto-1,2,3,4-tetrazole is the INH compound incorporated into the color developer.

It has been found that compounds having the structural formula

$$CAR$$
— $(TIME)_n$ — $INH(2)$

wherein INH comprises a compound that has a inhibitor strength greater than 1 provide particularly desirable results when incorporated into color reversal photographic elements. Similarly, INH(1) having an inhibitor strength less than 1 is particularly suitable for use in color reversal to enhance image structure in black and white developer in combination with strong inhibitors INH(2) which operate in the color developer. The following examples further illustrate this invention:

EXAMPLE 1A

1.0 g of DIR-2 was dissolved in 2.0 g of N,N-Diethyl lauramide and 3.0 g of ethyl acetate with gently heating.

This solution was then brought to a temperature of 40° C. and then mixed with a solution containing 3.0 g pig gelatine and 0.3 g of the sodium salt of triisopropylnath-phalene sulfonic acid dissolved in 40.7 g of distilled water. The resulting mixture was then passed through a 5 colloid mill three times to produce a dispersion. This dispersion was then used to prepare a photographic

element designated as Sample 101 having the composition set forth below:

In the composition of the layers, the coating amounts are shown as g/m^2 , except for sensitizing dyes, which are shown as the molar amount per mole of silver halide present in tile same layer.

Photographic support: cellulose triacetate subbed with gelatin.

First layer: Red sensitive layer	
Silver iodobromide emulsion (as silver) (4 mol % iodide)	1.18
Red sensitizing dyes	1.42×10^{-3}
Cyan Coupler C-1	1.71
Dibutylpthalate	0.85
DIR-2	0.04
Gelatin	4.03
Second layer: Intermediate layer	
Competitor S-3	0.16
Dye-1	0.06
Gelatin	0.86
Third layer: Green sensitive layer	
Silver iodobromide emulsion (as silver) (4 mol % iodide)	1.18
Sensitizing Dye-1	1.5×10^{-3}
Sensitizing Dye-2	0.5×10^{-3}
Coupler M-1	
Coupler M-2	
Dibutylpthalate	
Gelatin	4.03
Fourth layer: Protective layer	
Gelatin	3.23
Bis(vinylsulfonylmethane)	0.23

$$HN \bigvee_{N=N}^{S} \bigvee_{N=N}$$

COM INH-1

COM INH-2

$$H-N$$
 $N=N$
 $N+C(O)CH_3$

COM INH-3

S
$$CH_2CO_2C_3H_7-n$$
 $N=N$

COM INH-4

$$H_{N} = N$$

$$O = N$$

COM INH-5

COM DIR-1

OH ONH

$$C_{14}H_{29}-n$$
 $N_{14}H_{29}-n$
 $N_{15}H_{25}H_$

COM DIR-2

COM DIR-3

COM DIR-4

COM DIR-5

$$t-H_{9}C_{4}$$
 $C_{5}H_{11}-t$
 $C_{5}H_{11}-t$

C-1

Cl
$$N-N$$

ONHCO

NHCO

NHCOCH₂O

C₅H₁₁-t

NHCOCH₂O

M-1

CI

$$CI$$
 $N-N$
 $C_5H_{11}-t$
 $C_5H_{11}-t$
 $C_5H_{11}-t$

M-2

S-1

$$\begin{array}{c} CH_{3} \\ CHO \\ CHO \\ C_{3}H_{7} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} O \\ \parallel \\ C_{10}H_{21} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} O \\ -CH \\ -C$$

S-3

S-2

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O & OH \\ \hline \\ HO_2C - \\ \hline \\ N & CH_3 \end{array}$$

DYE-1

$$C_2H_5$$
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SENSITIZING DYE-1

SENSITIZING DYE-2

Cyan Absorber Dye

Magenta Absorber Dye

$$NaO_3S - \left(\begin{array}{c} N = \\ N = N - \left(\begin{array}{c} SO_3N_2 \\ N = N - \left(\begin{array}{c} SO_3N_2$$

Yellow Absorber Dye

In a similar fashion samples 102 to 109 were prepared except that DIR-2 was replaced with equimolar amounts of the DIR as indicated in Table 1. After drying, the samples were slit into 12 inch×35 mm strips and exposed as follows:

First, the red-sensitive layer was exposed in an imagewise fashion to a 0-3 density step tablet plus a Wratten 29 filter using a commercial sensitometer (3000 k lamp temperature) for 0.01 sec. The green-sensitive layer was then given a uniform flash exposure using the same 40 sensitometer with a Wratten 99 filter, but without the step tablet. The intensity of the green exposure was selected to be that which gave a Status A green analytical maximum density of approximately 2.0, after photographic processing, for sample 100, which was identical 45 in composition to sample 101 except that it contained no DIR. The exposed samples were processed according to the sequence described above. All solutions of the above process were held at a temperature of 36.9° C. The compositions of the processing solution are the 50 same as described above.

After processing, the densities of the samples were read to status A densitometry using a commercial densitometer. The densities were converted to analytical densities in the usual manner so that the red and green 55 densities reflected the amount of cyan and magenta dyes formed in the respective layers. The results are tabulated in Table 2, and the inhibitor strengths of the INH moieties released from the DIR compounds during color development are shown in Table 1. It can be seen 60 that the DIR compounds of this invention that release INH moieties having inhibitor strengths greater than 1 produce greater reductions in the red maximum density than do the comparison DIR compounds that release INH fragments having inhibitor strengths less than 1. 65 The ability to reduce the density in the layer in which the DIR compound is coated is an indication of DIR compound's ability to produce sharpness improve-

ments. Also recorded in Table 2 is a parameter called Delta D_{max} (ΔD_{max}), which is the difference in the green density measured in an area of the film strip where the red density is a maximum, minus the green density measured in an area where the red density is a minimum. As such, this parameter reflects the ability of a DIR compound coated in one layer to alter the dye formation in another layer. The data in Table 2 shows that DIR compounds of this invention, which release INH moieties that have inhibitor strengths greater than 1, have a substantially greater effect on the dye density formed in the green sensitive layer than do comparison DIR compounds that release INH moieties having inhibitor strengths less than 1. This very desirable property enables the preparation of color reversal elements that have improved color rendention.

TABLE 1

Sample	INH	IS
100	none	
101	INH-1	1.77
102	INH-3	1.67
103	INH-12	1.95
104	INH-13	2.11
105	COM INH-1	1.00
106	COM INH-2	0.05
107	COM INH-3	0.24
108	COM INH-4	0.00
109	COM INH-5	0.00

TABLE 2

Sample	DIR	INH in DIR	Red D _{max}	Δ D _{max} (Green)
100	none		3.15	0.21
101	DIR-1	INH-1	2.76	0.46
102	DIR-23	INH-3	1.67	0.41
103	DIR-25	INH-12	2.23	0.40
104	DIR-24	INH-13	1.82	0.68
105	COM DIR-1	COM INH-1	3.12	0.40
106	COM DIR-2	COM IMH-2	3.21	0.20
107	COM DIR-3	COM INH-3	3.19	0.22

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TABLE 2-continued

Sample	DIR	INH in DIR	Red D _{max}	Δ D _{max} (Green)
108	COM DIR-4	COM INH-4	3.21	0.29
109	COM DIR-5	COM INH-5	3.20	0.30

EXAMPLE 2

The following example further illustrates the inven- 10 tion.

On a cellulose triacetate film support provided with a subbing layer was coated each layer having the composition set forth below to prepare a multilayer color photographic light sensitive material, which is designated sample 201. The coating amounts shown are g/m^2 .

First layer: Antihalation layer	
Black colloidal silver	0.31
	(as silver)
Gelatin	2.44
Second layer: Intermediate layer	
Scavenger S-3	0.05
Dibutyl phthalate	0.05
Gelatin	1.22
Third layer: Slow red-sensitive layer	
Red-sensitive silver iodobromide emulsion	0.05
	(as silver)
average grain size:	0.15 n
silver iodide content:	4.8%
Red-sensitive silver iodobromide emulsion	0.41
1100 DOMOXUATO DILTOR TOGGOTOMINGO DIMIGISTOM	(as silver)
average grain size:	0.29 n
silver iodide content:	4.8%
Cyan coupler C-1	0.17
Dibutyl phthalate	0.13
Scavenger S-3	0.04
Gelatin	1.52
Cyan absorber dye	0.005
Fourth layer: Fast red-sensitive layer	
Red-sensitive iodobromide emulsion	1.02
icca-scristave logopionnae emaiston	(as silver)
average grain size:	0.58 n
silver iodide content:	3.4%
Cyan coupler C-1	1.27
Dibutyl phthalate	0.64
Dir-1	0.04
Tritolyl phosphates	0.13
Gelatin	2.02
Fifth layer: Intermediate layer	2.02
	0.15
Scavenger S-1 I-1	0.15 0.008
Gelatin	0.60
Sixth layer: Slow green-sensitive layer	0.01
	0.20
Green-sensitive silver iodobromide emulsion	0.32
	(as silver)
average grain size:	0.15 n
silver iodide content:	4.8%
Green-sensitive silver iodobromide emulsion	0.32
	(as silver)
average grain size:	0.29 n
silver iodide content:	4.8%
Green-sensitive silver iodobromide emulsion	0.02
	(as silver)
average grain size:	0.15 n
silver iodide content:	4.8%
treated to produce 95%	
fog on 1st development	Δ 17
Magenta coupler M-2	0.17
Magenta coupler M-1	0.41
Scavenger S-2	0.02
Magenta absorber dye	0.008
Calatin	1.08
Gelatin	
Seventh layer: Fast green-sensitive layer	
	0.86 (as silver)

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average grain size:	0.70 m
silver iodide content:	2%
Magenta coupler M-2	0.34
Magenta coupler M-1	0.79
Gelatin	1.76
Eighth layer: Intermediate layer	
Cyan absorber dye	0.007
Magenta absorber dye	0.004
Yellow absorber dye	0.20
Gelatin	0.61
Ninth layer: Yellow filter layer	
Carey Lea silver	0.075
Scavenger S-3	0.11
Gelatin	0.61
Tenth layer: Slow blue-sensitive layer	
Blue-sensitive silver iodobromide emulsion	0.32
	(as silver)
average grain size:	0.32 m
average iodide content:	3.4%
Blue-sensitive silver iodobromide emulsion	0.26
	(as silver)
average grain size:	0.66 m
average iodide content:	3.4%
Yellow coupler Y-1	0.81
Yellow absorber dye	0.04
Gelatin	1.35
Bis(vinylsulfonylmethane)	0.28
Eleventh layer: Fast blue-sensitive layer	
Blue-sensitive silver iodobromide	1.11
	(as silver)
average grain size:	1.49 m
average iodide content:	2%
Yellow coupler Y-1	1.67
Gelatin	2.62
Twelfth layer: First protective layer	
Ultraviolet absorbing dyes	0.44
Gelatin	1.08
Thirteenth layer: Second protective layer	
Carey Lea silver	0.003
Fine grained silver bromide emulsion	0.12
Matte	0.02
Gelatin	0.86

Sample 201 of the invention and samples of eighteen commercial color reversal photographic film products, designated A through R, were exposed to a chart containing a neutral, a red, and a yellow-red tint, or skin, standard test object. After exposure, all films were subjected to Kodak E-6 processing, using 4-(N-ethyl-N-2-methanesulfonamidoethyl)-2-methylphenylenediamine sesquisulfate monohydrate as color developing agent.

The test chart contained three matte reflection patches, identified below:

		Muns	CIELab Values				
		hue	value	chroma	a*	b*	L*
	(1)Neutral	N	5	0	0.18	0.27	51.10
55	(2)Red	7.5R	4	6	30.46	19.16	40.12
	(3)Skin	2.2YR	6.47	4.1	17.26	18.01	66.98

The reflection patches were obtained from Munsell Color, Macbeth Division of Kollmorgen Instruments Corporation Newburgh, N.Y. The reference white for the CIELab calculations of the original patches is D₅₅. The standard for Munsell notation is Illuminant C (cf Davidson, Godlove, and Hemmendinger, Journal of the Optical Society of America, 1957, Vol. 47, p. 336). Spectral density traces from 400 to 700 nm were obtained for these reflection samples using a spectrophotometer with 45/0 geometry with black backing.

Each of the comparison and experimental films were exposed using a typical single-lens reflex camera. The photographic taking illuminant was a tungsten halogen lamp with a daylight filter producing a correlated color temperature of 7200\$\phi\$ K. The relative Green, Red and 5 Blue exposures of this taking illuminant compared to an ISO sensitometric daylight source (ANSI PH2.29-1985), which is the product of standard photographic daylight D₅₅ and the relative spectral transmittance of the ISO standard camera lens, were 0, +0.129, and 10 +0.388, respectively. These exposure values, which define the quality of the illumination at the film plane, may be replicated through the proper combination of a lamp and selectively absorbing filters. Any taking illuminant that meets the exposure index tolerances of the 15 ANSI sensitometric illuminant (4/0/1 for Blue/-Green/Red) will suffice as the taking illuminant defined in this method.

Each of the films were exposed so that the neutral Munsell N,5,0 patch on the film corresponded to a Green Status A density of 1.0 n 0.04. The red, skin, and neutral patches on the film that corresponded to the 1.0 density were measured with a spectrophotometer to obtain their total transmission spectral density characteristics from 400 to 700 nm. If a single film exposure did not meet the 1.0 density requirement, two exposures that bracketed the 1.0 density were spectrophotometrically measured and then linearly interpolated to obtain an approximate 1.0 Status A green density.

Reproduction coefficients (RC) for the red and the yellow-red tint, or skin, patches, which are defined as the ratio of the reproduction chroma (C*R) to the corresponding original chroma (C*) for each patch, were determined using CIE Publication 15.2, Colorimetry (1986), recommendations for the 1931 CIE standard colorimetric observer (2 degree). From the reproduction coefficients (RC) determined for the red and yellow-red patches, the values of the ratio of the red reproduction coefficient and the yellow-red tint, or skin, reproduction coefficient can be calculated.

To calculate CIELab values, the 1976 CIELab color space calculations recommended in CIE Publication 15.2 were used. Spectral data from 400 to 700 nm were used for the tristimulus value calculations. The reference white used in the calculation of a*, b*, and L* was the Munsell N,5,0 patch of the photographic reproduction rescaled to a Y of 100 to normalize balance differences between the films. The tristimulus values of the N,5,0 reproduction were calculated for each film assuming a D₅₅ viewing illuminant. The tristimulus values, which have a Y approximately 50, were rescaled so that the Y value equals 100 while maintaining constant chromaticities by multiplying each of the tristimulus values by (100/Y_{N,5,0}). The CIELab parameters for red $_{55}$ and yellow-red tint were calculated using the rescaled reference white.

The values of the reproduction coefficients (RC) for the red and yellow-red tint, or skin, patches and their ratios that were determined for the element of the invention and for each of the commercial color reversal film products are given in Table 3 below.

TABLE 3

Sample	Red RC	Skin RC	Red RC/Skin RC		
201	0.93	0.75	1.24		
product A	0.94	0.90	1.05		
product B	0.85	0.90	0.95		
product C	0.78	0.86	0.91		

TABLE 3-continued

Sample	Red RC	Skin RC	Red RC/Skin RC
product D	0.74	0.59	1.25
product E	0.74	0.78	0.95
product F	0.78	0.88	0.89
product G	0.91	0.83	1.10
product H	0.90	0.83	1.08
product I	0.73	0.83	0.88
product J	0.70	0.94	0.75
product K	0.78	0.86	0.91
product L	0.65	0.77	0.84
product M	0.83	0.57	1.46
product N	1.02	1.08	0.95
product O	0.87	0.83	1.04
product P	0.89	1.02	0.87
product Q	0.88	0.89	0.99
product R	0.87	0.89	0.98

In accordance with the present invention, the red patch is reproduced with a reproduction coefficient (RC) of greater than or equal to 0.88, and the ratio of red RC/yellow-red tint RC is greater than or equal to 1.15. This describes a film that displays both red colors of high relative chroma and more accurate and pleasing skin tone rendition that is not excessively high in chroma with respect to the original. This highly desirable color reproduction position is attained with the color reversal photographic element of the invention but not with any of the commercial products included in the test.

EXAMPLE 3

Using cellulose triacetate film supports, multilayer color light sensitive materials, each consisting of the following layers, were prepared.

First layer. An antihalation layer containing 40 mg/ft² black colloidal silver in 224 mg/ft² gelatin.

Second layer. An intermediate layer containing 112 mg/ft² gelatin.

Third layer. A first red sensitive emulsion layer containing a cyan dye forming coupler C-1 plus silver bromoiodide (3%I, 45 mg/ft², 0.54×0.97) and gelatin at 80 mg/ft².

Fourth layer. A second red sensitive emulsion layer containing a cyan forming coupler C-1 plus silver bromoiodide (3%I, 50 mg/ft², 0.73×0.089) and gelatin at 40 mg/ft².

Fifth layer. An intermediate layer containing an oxidized developer scavenger S-1, a blue light absorbing material, plus gelatin at 57 mg/ft².

Sixth layer. An intermediate layer containing gelatin at 57 mg/ft².

Seventh layer. A first green sensitive emulsion layer containing a magenta dye forming coupler M-1 plus silver bromoiodide (4%I, 45 mg/ft², 0.40×0.57) and gelatin at 80 mg/ft².

Eighth layer. A second green sensitive emulsion layer containing a magenta dye forming coupler M-1 plus silver bromoiodide (4%I, 45 mg/ft², 0.94×0.111) and gelatin at 140 mg/ft².

Ninth layer. An intermediate layer containing gelatin at 57 mg/ft².

Tenth layer. An intermediate layer containing an oxidized developer scavenger S-1 plus gelatin at 57 mg/ft².

Eleventh layer. A first blue sensitive emulsion layer containing a yellow dye forming coupler Y-1 plus silver

bromoiodide (4%I, 35 mg/ft², 0.65 \times 0.10) and gelatin at 80 mg/ft².

Twelfth layer. A second blue sensitive emulsion layer containing a yellow dye forming coupler Y-1 plus silver bromoiodide (3%I, 50 mg/ft², 1.58×0.13) and gelatin at 5 220 mg/ft².

Thirteenth layer. A first protective layer containing an ultraviolet absorber plus gelatin at 130 mg/ft².

Fourteenth layer. A second protective layer containing gelatin hardener plus polymethyl methacrylate par- 10 ticles at 1.7 mg/ft². In addition to the above composition, surfactants were incorporated in each layer.

What is claimed is:

1. An color reversal element capable of development in black and white developer, and of development in a color developer comprising:

a support having thereon at least two light-sensitive silver halide emulsion layers and a compound (A) and a compound (B)

Compound (A) capable of releasing a development modifier and having the structural formula

 $M(Time)_n$ —INH(1)

TABLE 4

SAMPLE ACCUTANCE							R/G IIE Flash			
	Compound		35 n	nm Slide	CMT	MT	F at 10	mm	Density	
No.	Type A	Type B	R	G	В	R	G	В	2.0	0.5
301	None	None	93.0	95.9	97.1	71	85	90	0.22	0.32
302	I-1	None	94.2	97.0	97.8	7 8	92	96	0.30	0.40
Change			+1.2	+1.1	+0.7	+7	+7	+6	+.08	+.10

TABLE 5

SAMPLE			ACCUTANCE						R/G IIE Flash	
Compound		35 r	nm Slide	CMT	MTF at 10 mm		Density			
No.	Type A	Type B	R	G	В	R	G	В	2.0	0.5
303	I-1	COM DIR-4	0.3	0.4	-0.3	0	-0.5	0	+0.08	0
304	I-1	DIR-40	0.0	+1.0	0.2	0	+5	-1	+0.54	+0.04
305	I-1	DIR-1	+1.1	+1.5	+0.2	+6	+ 9	0	+0.40	+0.26

Sharpness or Acutance may be measured in accordance with the following references.

CMT Acutance

R. G. Gendron, J. Soc. Mot. Pic. Tel. Eng., vol. 82, pp 1009–12 (1973). Reference for the equipment and method for making sharpness measurement of film.

E. M. Crane, J. Soc. Mot. Pic. Tel. Eng., vol. 73, p 40 643 (1964). Reference for the method of determining CMT values from the sharpness exposures.

Sharpness was calculated using the following formula in which the cascade area under the system modulation curve is shown in equation (21.104) on p. 629 of the 45 THE THEORY OF THE PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESS, Fourth Edition, 1977, edited by T. H. James The magnification factor M was 3.36 for 35 mm slide.

MTF Accutance

The MTF values were obtained as described in R. L. Lamberts and F. C. Eisen, Journal of Applied Photographic Engineering, vol. 6, Feb. 1980, pp1-8, titled "A System for Automated Evaluation of Modulation Transfer Functions of Photographic Materials".

The data from Table 1 shows how a Type A compound increases the accutance and interimage effects of the film. The data from Table 2 shows that the combination of a Type A and Type B compound gives even further improvements over that of just a Type A compound while the use of a DIR comparison compound yields no further improvement in accutance or interimage.

The invention has been described in detail with particular reference to preferred embodiments thereof, but 65 it will be understood that variations and modifications can be effected within the spirit and scope of the invention.

wherein

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M is a carrier moiety from which — (Time)_n—INH(1) is released during black and white development; Time is a timing group;

INH(1) is comprised of oxazole, oxadiazole, thiazole, diazole, oxathiazole, triazole, thiatriazole, benzotriazole, tetrazole, benzimidazole, indazole, isoindazole, mercaptotriazole, mercaptothiadiazole, mercaptotetrazole, selenotetrazole, mercaptothiazole, selenobenzothiazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, selenobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzimidzole, mercaptobenzothiazole, selenobenzimidazole, benzodiazole, mercaptooxadiazole, or benzisodiazole,

INH(1) of Compound (A) having an inhibitor potency less than 1;

n is 0, 1 or 2; and

Compound (B) having the structural formula

CAR $-(TIME)_n$ -INH(2)

wherein:

CAR is a carrier moiety from which —(TIME)-_n—INH(2) is released during color development; TIME is a timing group;

INH(2) is comprised of a development inhibitor moiety selected from the group consisting of oxazole, oxadiazole, thiazole, diazole, oxathiazole, triazole, thiatriazole, benzotriazole, tetrazole, benzimidazole, indazole, isoindazole, mercaptotriazole, mercaptothiadiazole, mercaptotetrazole, selenotetrazole, mercaptothiazole, selenobenzothiazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, selenobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzothiazole selenobenzimidazole, benzodiazole, mercaptooxadiazole, or benzisodiazole, INH(2) of compound (B) having an inhibitor potency greater than 1, and

n is 0, 1 or 2;

wherein inhibitor potency, IS, of the INH compound is defined as:

$$IS = \frac{IN_{(test)}}{IN_{(control)}}$$

where IN_(test) is the inhibitor number of INH and IN_(-control) is the inhibitor number for 1-phenyl-5-mercapto- 10 1,2,3,4-tetrazole.

2. The color reversal element in accordance with claim 1 wherein Compound (A) has a structure selected from

$$R_a(X)_m$$
 Y Y $N-N$ $N-N$ $R_b(X)_m$

wherein m is 0 or 1;

R_a and R_b are individually selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl or aryl containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms;

X is selected from nitrogen, sulfur, oxygen and carboxy;

Y is selected from nitrogen, sulfur, and oxygen m is 0 or 1; and

M is selected from hydrogen, alkali metal, ammonium, a group capable of splitting off INH(1) with
base or sulfite, and a group capable of splitting off
after reaction with oxidized developer.

3. The color reversal element in accordance with 65 claim 1 wherein Compound A is capable of splitting off INH(1) after reaction with an oxidized developer, Compound A having a structure selected from:

$$(R_aX)_n$$
 OH $(R_aX)_n$ OH $(R_aX)_n$ OH $(R_aX)_n$ OH $(R_a)_n$ OH

wherein:

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R_a is individually selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl or aryl containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms;

R_d is selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl or aryl containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms; n is 0, 1 or 2;

X is selected from nitrogen, sulfur, oxygen and carboxy;

 R_c is selected from $-C(=O)R_a$ and SO_2R_a .

4. The element in accordance with claim 2 wherein Compound A is capable of splitting off INH(1) after reaction with an oxidized developer, Compound A being selected from formula:

$$(R_aX)_n$$
 OH $(R_aX)_n$ OH $(R_aX)_n$ OH $(R_aX)_n$ OH $(R_aX)_n$ OH $(R_a)_n$ OH

wherein:

R_a is individually selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl or aryl containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms;

R_d is selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl or aryl containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms; n is 0, 1 or 2;

X is selected from nitrogen, sulfur, oxygen and carboxy;

 R_c is selected from $-C(=-O)R_a$ and SO_2R_a .

5. The element in accordance with claim 1 wherein INH(1) is selected from:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
-S \longrightarrow S \\
N \longrightarrow N \longrightarrow N \\
R_{a'}
\end{array}$$

R_{a'} is selected from methyl, ethyl, isopropryl, propyl, t-butyl, isobutyl, pentyl, t-pentyl or i-pentyl and each of these groups can in turn be substituted by —NO₂, —SO₂R_a, —SO₃R_a, —SO₂N(R_a)₂, —N-R_aCOR_b, —NR_aSO₂R_b, —N(R_a)₂, —COOR_a, —CN, —CONHR_a, CHO, OH, or alkoxy, polyhydroxyl such as 1,2-dihydroxylethyl, 1,2,3-trihydroxylpropyl, D-arabino-1,2,3,4-tetrahydroxybutyl, D-gluco-1,2,3,4,5-pentahydroxypentyl; and

 R_a and R_b are individually selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl on aryl containing 1 to 20 25 carbon atoms.

6. The element in accordance with claim 1 wherein Compound A is:

$$R_aX$$
 $(TIME)_n$
 $=$ INH

R_a is individually selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl or aryl containing 1 to 20 carbon 40 atoms;

 R_d is selected from substituted or unsubstituted alkyl or aryl containing 1 to 20 carbon atoms.

7. The element in accordance with claim 1 wherein n is 0 and M—INH(1) is selected from:

8. The color reversal element in accordance with claim 2 wherein M is selected from:

NC-CH₂-CH₂- RSO₂-CH₂-CH₂-

9. The color reversal element in accordance with claim 2 wherein M is selected from:

$$R-N$$
 $R-S-R$
 R

R is selected from a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group, hydrogen, halogen, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring, alkoxy group, aryloxy group, alkoxycarbonyl group, arlyoxycarbonyl group, sulfamoyl group, sulfonamido group, sulfoxyl group carbamoyl group, alkylsulfo group, arylsulfo group, hydroxy group, aryloxycarbonylamino group, alkoxycarbonylamino group, amino group, acylamino group, ureido group, arylthio group, alkylthio group, cyano group.

10. A photographic element in accordance with claim 1 wherein INH(2) has a structure selected from

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$$-s$$
 $N-N$

wherein R is a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group, hydrogen, halogen, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring, alkoxy 10 group, aryloxy group, alkoxycarbonyl group, arlyoxyearbonyl group, amino group, sulfamoyl group, sulfonamido group, sulfoxyl group carbamoyl group, alkylsulfo group, arylsulfo group, hydroxy group, aryloxycarbonylamino group, alkoxycarbonylamino group, acylamino group, ureido group, arylthio group, alkylthio group, cyano group.and

s is 1 to 4.

11. A photographic element in accordance with claim

INH-7

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$$N + N$$

$$O \longrightarrow C_{10}H_{21}-n$$

$$NH_2 \longrightarrow N$$

$$C_4H_9-n$$
 $N \longrightarrow CH_2OH$
 $N \longrightarrow N$

$$-S \bigvee O \bigvee C_4H_{9-t}$$

$$N-N$$

$$-S \underbrace{\hspace{1cm} O \hspace{1cm} C_4H_{9}-t}_{N-N}$$

$$-s$$
 O
 CH_2
 $N-N$

$$-s$$
 O
 $N-N$

$$N$$
 N
 $CH_2SC_6H_{13-n}$
 N

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INH-19

INH-9
$$N \bigcirc N \bigcirc SC_2H_5$$
 SC_2H_5 SC_2H_5

INH 11 12. The photographic element in accordance with claim 1 wherein CAR is a coupler moiety.

13. The photographic element in accordance with claim 1 wherein $-(TIME)_n-INH(2)$ is bonded to a coupling position of the coupler moiety.

14. The photographic element in accordance with claim 13 wherein INH(2) has a structure selected from 35

INH-14 45
$$S \longrightarrow N$$
 R N R N R N N N N N

$$S \setminus S \setminus R$$
 $N \setminus N$

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$$\begin{array}{c} S \\ S \\ N \\ N \\ N \\ R \end{array}$$

wherein R is a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group, 65 hydrogen, halogen, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring, alkoxy group, aryloxy group, alkoxycarbonyl group, arlyox-

ycarbonyl group, amino group, sulfamoyl group, sulfonamido group, sulfoxyl group carbamoyl group, alkylsulfo group, arylsulfo group, hydroxy group, aryloxycarbonylamino group, alkoxycarbonylamino group, acylamino group, ureido group, arylthio group, alkylthio group, cyano group, and

s is 1 to 4.

15. An color reversal element comprising:

a support having thereon at least one photographic silver halide emulsion layer, the element having at least one red sensitive layer, at least one green sensitive layer and at least one blue sensitive layer and an image modifying Compound (A) and an image modifying compound (B), which together provide saturation increased relative chroma in colors while providing less saturation or less relative chroma in other colors and capable of releasing development inhibitor compounds:

Compound (A) capable of releasing a development modifier and having the structural formula

 $M(Time)_n$ —INH(1)

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M is a carrier moiety from which —(Time)_n—INH(1) is released during black and white development; Time is a timing group;

INH(1) is comprised of oxazole, oxadiazole, thiazole, diazole, oxathiazole, triazole, thiatriazole, benzotriazole, tetrazole, benzimidazole, indazole, isoindazole, mercaptotriazole, mercaptothiadiazole, mercaptotetrazole, selenotetrazole, mercaptothiazole, selenobenzothiazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, selenobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzimidazole, mercaptobenzothiazole selenobenzimidazole, benzodiazole, mercaptooxadiazole, or benzisodiazole, INH(1) of Compound (A) having an inhibitor po-

tency less than 1;

n is 0, 1 or 2; and Compound (B) having the structural formula

CAR — $(TIME)_n$ —INH(2)

45 wherein:

CAR is a carrier moiety from which —(TIME)-"—INH(2) is released during color development; TIME is a timing group;

INH(2) is comprised of a development inhibitor moiety selected from the group consisting of oxazole, oxadiazole, thiazole, diazole, oxathiazole, triazole, thiatriazole, benzotriazole, temrazole, benzimidazole, indazole, isoindazole, mercaptotriazole, mercaptothiadiazole, mercaptotetrazole, selenotetrazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, selenobenzothiazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzothiazole selenobenzimidazole, benzodiazole, mercaptooxadiazole, or benzisodiazole, INH(2) of compound (B) having an inhibitor potency greater than 1, and

n is 0, 1 or 2; wherein inhibitor potency, IS, of the INH compound is defined as:

 $IS = \frac{IN_{(test)}}{IN_{(control)}}$

where IN_(test) is the inhibitor number of INH and IN_(-control) is the inhibitor number for 1-phenyl-5-mercapto-1,2,3,4-tetrazole.

16. A color reversal photographic element comprising:

a support bearing a red-sensitive, cyan dye-forming unit, a green-sensitive, magenta dye-forming unit, and a blue-sensitive, yellow dye-forming unit, each unit comprising at least one photosensitive silver halide layer and and image dye-forming compound;

said element containing an interimage effect-controlling means;

said interimage effect-controlling means being characterized as having the capability of simultaneously 15 forming a red image of high relative chroma and a yellow-red tint image of substantially lower chroma when said element is exposed to a red color standard object and a yellow-red tint color standard object and thereafter developed; 20

the resulting said images having a red reproduction coefficient equal to or greater than 0.88 and a ratio of red reproduction coefficient to yellow-red tint reproduction coefficient equal to or greater than 1.15;

said interimage effect-controlling means comprising an image modifying Compound (A) and an image modifying compound (B) which together provide saturation in colors while providing less saturation in other colors and capable of releasing develop- 30 ment inhibitor compounds:

Compound (A) capable of releasing a development modifier and having the structural formula

$$M(Time)_n$$
—INH(1)

wherein

M is a carrier moiety from which —(Time)_n—INH(1) is released during black and white development; Time is a timing group;

INH(1) is comprised of oxazole, oxadiazole, thiazole, diazole, oxathiazole, triazole, thiatriazole, benzotriazole, tetrazole, benzimidazole, indazole, isoindazole, mercaptotriazole, mercaptothiadiazole, mercaptotetrazole, selenotetrazole, mercaptothiazole, selenobenzothiazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, selenobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzimidzole, mercaptobenzothiazole, selenobenzimidazole, benzodiazole, mercaptooxadiazole, or benzisodiazole,

INH(1) of Compound (A) having an inhibitor potency less than 1;

n is 0, 1 or 2; and

Compound (B) having the structural formula

CAR
$$-(TIME)_n-INH(2)$$

wherein:

CAR is a carrier moiety from which —(TIME)-_n—INH(2) is released during color development; TIME is a timing group;

INH(2) is comprised of a development inhibitor moi- 60 ety selected from the group consisting of oxazole, oxadiazole, thiazole, diazole, oxathiazole, triazole, thiatriazole, benzotriazole, tetrazole, benzimidazole, indazole, isoindazole, mercaptotriazole, mercaptothiadiazole, mercaptotetrazole, selenotet- 65 razole, mercaptothiazole, selenobenzothiazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, selenobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, selenoben-

zimidazole, benzodiazole, mercaptooxadiazole, or benzisodiazole, INH(2) of compound (B) having an inhibitor potency greater than 1, and

n is 0, 1 or 2;

wherein inhibitor potency, IS, of the INH compound is defined as:

$$IS = \frac{IN_{(test)}}{IN_{(control)}}$$

where $IN_{(test)}$ is the inhibitor number of INH and $IN_{(\cdot, test)}$ is the inhibitor number for 1-phenyl-5-mercapto-1,2,3,4-tetrazole.

17. A photographic element in accordance with claim 16 wherein INH(2) has a structure selected from

$$S \setminus N \setminus R$$
 $N \setminus R$
 $N \setminus R$

$$S \setminus S \setminus R$$
 $N \setminus N$

$$S \longrightarrow N$$
 R
 N
 N
 R

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ & & &$$

$$-\frac{N}{N}$$

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$$R$$
 N
 R
 R
 R
 R
 R

$$\mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{N}} \mathbb{N} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

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$$N \bigcirc (R)_s$$

$$-s$$
 $(R)_s$

$$-s$$
 $(R)_s$

$$-s$$
 $(R)_s$

$$H_2N \longrightarrow N$$
 N
 N
 N
 N

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & S \\
 & N \\$$

$$-s$$
 $N-N$
 $N-N$
 $N = N$

wherein R is a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group, hydrogen, halogen, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring, alkoxy group, aryloxy group, alkoxycarbonyl group, arlyoxycarbonyl group, amino group, sulfamoyl group, sulfonamido group, sulfoxl group carbamoyl group, alkylsulfo group, arylsulfo group, hydroxyl group, aryloxycarbonylamino group, alkoxycarbonylamino group, acylamino group, ureido group, arylthio group, alkylthio group, cyano group. and

s is 1 to 4.

18. A photographic element in accordance with claim 65 16 wherein INH(2) is selected from:

$$S$$
 C_5H_{11} -t
 $N=N$

INH-4
$$\begin{array}{c}
S\\
N\\
N\\
N\\
N
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
C(CH_3)(C_2H_5)_2\\
N\\
N\\
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
C_4H_9-n \\
-S \\
N \\
N-N
\end{array}$$
INH-8

$$-S \underbrace{\hspace{1cm} O \hspace{1cm} C_4H_9-t}_{N-N}$$
 INH-9

$$-S \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow C_4H_{9-t}$$

$$N-N$$
INH-9

$$-S \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow CH_2 \longrightarrow N-N$$

$$N-N$$
INH-10

INH 12

INH 13

INH-14

INH-15

INH-16

INH-17

INH-18

INH-19

INH-20

INH-21

INH-22

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-s O OCH3

$$-s$$
 O
 $N-N$

N-N

$$N$$
 N
 $CH_2SC_6H_{13}-n$
 N

$$N$$
 N
 $CH_2SC_8H_{17}-n$
 N

$$N$$
 N
 SC_2H_5
 SC_2H_5

$$S \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow (CH_2)_4SCH_2CH_3.$$
 $N-N$

19. The photographic element in accordance with claim 16 wherein CAR is a coupler moiety.

20. The photographic element in accordance with claim 19 wherein the coupler moiety is ballasted.

21. The photographic element in accordance with claim 16 wherein $-(TIME)_n-INH(2)$ is bonded to a coupling position of the coupler moiety.

22. The photographic element in accordance with claim 19 wherein CAR is unballasted and the TIME moiety attached to CAR is ballasted.

23. The photographic element in accordance with claim 22 wherein CAR is a coupler moiety.

24. The photographic element in accordance with claim 16 wherein CAR is a moiety which can cross-oxidize with oxidized color developer, and is selected from the class consisting of hydrazides and hydroquinones.

25. The photographic element in accordance with claim 16 wherein the compound is present in the element from 0.002 to about 0.35 g/m².

26. The photographic element in accordance with claim 16 wherein the compound is present in the element from about 0.005 to about 0.15 g/m².

27. An color reversal element comprising:

a support having thereon at least one photographic silver halide emulsion layer, the element having at least one red sensitive layer, at least one green sensitive layer and at least one blue sensitive layer and a combination of image modifying Compounds (A) and (B), wherein said element is capable of an improvement in sharpness of at least 1 CMT when developed in a color reversal developer process comprising a nonchromogenic developing step and a chromogenic developing step, wherein the improvement in sharpness results from said chromogenic developing step, said image modifying Compounds comprising a combination of image modifying Compounds (A) and (B) which provides saturation in colors while providing less saturation in other colors and capable of releasing development inhibitor compounds:

Compound (A) capable of releasing a development modifier and having the structural formula

 $M(Time)_n$ —INH(1)

wherein

M is a carrier moiety from which —(Time)_n—INH(1) is released during black and white development; Time is a timing group;

INH(1) is comprised of oxazole, oxadiazole, thiazole, diazole, oxathiazole, triazole, thiatriazole, benzotriazole, tetrazole, benzimidazole, indazole, isoindazole, mercaptotriazole, mercaptothiadiazole, mercaptotetrazole, selenotetrazole, mercaptothiazole, selenobenzothiazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, selenobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzimidazole, mercaptobenzimidazole, benzodiazole, mercaptooxadiazole, or benzisodiazole,

INH(1) of Compound (A) having an inhibitor potency less than 1;

n is 0, 1 or 2; and

Compound (B) having the structural formula

 $CAR - (TIME)_n - INH(2)$

wherein:

CAR is a carrier moiety from which —(TIME)-n—INH(2) is released during color development;

TIME is a timing group;

INH(2) is comprised of a development inhibitor moiety selected from the group consisting of oxazole, oxadiazole, thiazole, diazole, oxathiazole, triazole, thiatriazole, benzotriazole, tetrazole, benzimid-5 azole, indazole, isoindazole, mercaptotriazole, mercaptothiadiazole, mercaptotetrazole, selenotetrazole, mercaptothiazole, selenobenzothiazole, mercaptobenzoxazole, selenobenzoxazole, mercaptobenzimidzole, mercaptobenzothiazole selenoben-10 zimidazole, benzodiazole, mercaptooxadiazole, or benzisodiazole, INH(2) of compound (B) having an inhibitor potency greater than 1, and

n is 0, 1 or 2;

wherein inhibitor potency, IS, of the INH compound is 15 defined as:

$$IS = \frac{IN_{(test)}}{IN_{(control)}}$$

wherein $IN_{(test)}$ is the inhabitor number of INH and $IN_{(control)}$ is the inhibitor number for 1-phenyl-5-mercapto-1,2 3,4-tetrazole.

- 28. The color reversal element in accordance with claim 27 wherein the CMT is a least 2.
- 29. A method of processing a color reversal element of claim 1, the method comprising first treating the element with a black and white developer to develop exposed silver halide, then fogging the element to render unexposed silver halide developable, then treating ³⁰ the element with a color developer.
- 30. A method of processing a color reversal element of claim 2, the method comprising first treating the element with a black and white developer to develop

exposed silver halide, then fogging the element to render unexposed silver halide developable, then treating the element with a color developer.

- 31. A method of processing a color reversal element of claim 4, the method comprising first treating the element with a black and white developer to develop exposed silver halide, then fogging the element to render unexposed silver halide developable, then treating the element with a color developer.
- 32. A method of processing a color reversal element of claim 10, the method comprising first treating the element with a black and white developer to develop exposed silver halide, then fogging the element to render unexposed silver halide developable, then treating the element with a color developer.
- 33. A method of processing a color reversal element of claim 11, the method comprising first treating the element with a black and white developer to develop exposed silver halide, then fogging the element to render unexposed silver halide developable, then treating the element with a color developer.
 - 34. A method of processing a color reversal element of claim 12, the method comprising first treating the element with a black and white developer to develop exposed silver halide, then fogging the element to render unexposed silver halide developable, then treating the element with a color developer.
 - 35. A method of processing a color reversal element of claim 16, the method comprising first treating the element with a black and white developer to develop exposed silver halide, then fogging the element to render unexposed silver halide developable, then treating the element with a color developer.

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It is certified that an error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Abstract on Cover, line 11, after "carrier" delete --, --.

Column 73, line 25, "on" should read -- or --.

Column 80, line 52, "temrazole" should read -- tetrazole --.

Column 87, line 21, "inhabitor" should read -- inhibitor --.

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